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City of Boston...

Monday January 6. 1834.

This being the day appointed by law for the organization of the City Government. The following gentlemen appeared and took their seats viz<sup>t</sup>

Hon<sup>ble</sup> Theodore Lyman Jun<sup>r</sup>. Mayor  
Aldermen

Isabel Ellis

Thomas Wetmore

Charles Leighton

Sosiah Dunham

Nathan Curney, Esq<sup>r</sup>

Samuel A. Eliot, Esq<sup>r</sup>

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Reverend Jonathan M. Mainwright D. D.

The Honorable Lemuel Shaw, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, administered the several oaths required by law, to the Mayor. Mayor - qualified

The Mayor afterwards administered the like oaths to the Aldermen, and then to the members of the Common Council.

The two branches ~~then~~ then separated.

A letter was received from the Hon. Savage declining James Savage, declining to serve as an Alderman, serving as an Alder to office he was elected. Read and thereupon. man...

Ordered, that warrants be issued for meetings of the Inhabitants in their several wards, on Mon - Warrants for meetings



2. day next 12 Clock M. for the purpose of electing an Alderman to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. James Savage. And that all vacancies be filled in the ward Officers. The Poll to be kept open until 3 Clock P.M.

President & Clerk of Common Council. Robert T. Paine, Esquire, came up with a message from the Common Council, announcing that they had elected Josiah Quincy Junior, Esquire, President, and Richard G. Wail, Esquire, Clerk.

Member of Common Council. Henry Rice, Esquire, member elect of the Common Council, for Ward No. 7. came in & it qualified. the several oaths required by law were administered to him by the Mayor.

Convention proposed. Ordered, that a messenger in writing be sent to the Common Council, proposing a convention forthwith in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk.

A message was received from the Common Council signifying their concurrence with the board of Aldermen to form a Convention of the City Council, at the time and for the purpose above mentioned.

City Clerk Chosen. The Convention Agreeably to assignment the two branches met in convention in the Common Council chamber



Chamber for the purpose of electing a City Clerk; - 3.  
Aldermen Ellis, Messrs Williams & Tremere, were  
appointed a committee to receive and count the votes  
who reported that the whole number was 49.

necessary for a choice 25.  
Samuel F. McCleary, Esquire had 49.  
and he was unanimously chosen.

The oath of office was administered  
to him by the Mayor.

The business of the Convention being  
accomplished the two branches separated.

Ordered, that Aldermen <sup>Ellis</sup> and Fata, Franklin School  
be a Committee to attend to the repairs of the Franklin  
School house. House

Ordered, that the usual time Meetings  
for the meeting of this board, be on Mondays at of the  
4 o'clock P. M. until further ordered. Board

Adjourned to Monday next,  
4 o'clock P. M.



4.

At a Special meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday, the eleventh day of January Anno Domini 1834.

Present: The Mayor - Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore, Fales, Leighton, Dunham, Gurney & Eliot.

Alderman  
qualified

Samuel Fales Esquire, Alderman elect appeared, and took the several oaths required by law to qualify him for a seat, at this board as an Alderman, which were administered to him by the Mayor, and he took his seat accordingly.

Ordered, that a message be sent to inform the Common Council, that Samuel Fales, Esq. has taken the oaths required by law, and taken his seat at the board of Aldermen.

Stevenson declining -  
accepting as a  
member of School  
Committee

A letter was received from Doctor A. G. Stevenson, declining to accept as a member of the school committee. Read and thereupon Ordered, that the same be sent to the Warden of Ward 1<sup>st</sup>, in order that the vacancy be filled on Monday next.

Public  
Lands

Ordered, that the papers relating to the sale of public lands be taken from the file and referred to Aldermen, Wetmore & Leighton, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider & report. Sent down for concurrence came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs Hastings, Shaw & Huntington.



Ordered, that the papers relating to the  
subject of common sewers and drains be taken from Common Sewers  
the files & referred to aldermen Ellis and Bates with and Drains  
such as the Common Council may join to consider and  
report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred  
and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs  
Williams, Eastis and Tremere.

Ordered, that Aldermen Leighton Wells  
and Eliot, with such as the Common Council may join  
be a Committee to inquire into the expediency of  
altering the ward room in the Wells School House  
for the reception of pupils; Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined  
on its part Messrs Whitthrop, Cutler and Rowstone.

Adjourned to Monday next four  
o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall on  
Monday the thirteenth day of January A.D. 1832.

Present. The Mayor and a whole body of  
Aldermen, except Alderman Leighton.



6. The City Clerk laid upon the Table the returns of votes from the several wards, for an Alderman, in the place of James Savage, Esquire, who declined serving; and the same were read, and referred to Aldermen Ellis and Eliot, who report that the whole number of votes is 1368.

Necessary for a choice 685.

Samuel Grecco has 602.

Samuel Grecco has 47

Samuel Grecco has 30

Samuel Grecco has 5

Total 686.

As there can be no reasonable doubt that the above votes were intended for the same person, the committee are of opinion that Samuel Grecco, Esquire, is elected Alderman for the current year. Read, accepted, and therefore Ordered; that the above named Samuel Grecco, be notified of his election and the receipt be made in the recorder's office to him. That, well afterwards, appeared and the oaths required by the constitution and laws being administered to him, he took his seat at the board.

Alderman notified

Ordered, that a message be sent to inform the Common Council, that Samuel Grecco, Esq. has been duly elected an Alderman, has been notified by taking the oaths required by law before the Mayor, and has taken his seat at this board.

Rules & orders

Ordered, that the joint rules & orders of



of the City Council of the past year be adopted on the part of this board, until otherwise ordered, passed in Common Council; - Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Ordered, that the City be divided into four districts as follows viz:-

1 <sup>st</sup> Dis. Wards N <sup>o</sup> 1. 2 & 3.	Aldermen Lighton & Gurney.	District Committee
2 <sup>nd</sup> Dis. Wards N <sup>o</sup> 4. 8 & 9.	Aldermen Wolmore & Greck.	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dis. Wards N <sup>o</sup> 5. 6 & 7.	Aldermen Bates & Eliot.	
4 <sup>th</sup> Dis. Wards N <sup>o</sup> 10. 11 & 12.	Aldermen Ellis & Dunham.	

for the purpose of attending to the several streets, lanes, alleys and public places within their respective Districts.

The following Standing Committees were nominated & appointed viz:-

Quarantine...	Alderman Wolmore, Gurney, Lighton, Ellis & House of Correction, Industry, & Reformation	Standing Committee
Alderman...	Eliot, Dunham & Greck...	
Fire department & Reservoirs...	Mayor Aldermen Wolmore & Lighton	
Market...	Aldermen Ellis, Greck & Eliot...	
Common, Malls, Fort Hill, & Copp's Hill...	Mayor Aldermen Bates & Gurney.	
Burial grounds & Cemeteries...	Aldermen Bates, Dunham and Greck.	
Bills & Clocks...	Aldermen Bates & Gurney.	
Public Buildings...	Mayor Aldermen Ellis, Wolmore & Lighton.	



8. County accounts - Aldermen Fales and Leighton

Accounts. Agreeably to assignment, the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a standing committee on accounts, and the votes being taken, it appeared, that. Aldermen Samuel Fales & Charles Leighton were chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council did on its part Messrs Henry S. Oliver, James D. Richardson and Nathaniel S. Cunningham.

Farm School  
Thompson's  
Island.

Communication of Charles Jackson, Esquire in behalf of the Directors of the Farm School, inclosing a Petition to the Legislature, to annex Thompson's Island to the City of Boston. Referred to Aldermen Holman and Curran, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred & the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Rice, Blake & Gray.

Licenses of  
Innkeepers

Ordered, that the several applications for licenses as Innholders, victuallers and retailers of spirituous liquors, be referred to Aldermen Holmes & Elliot, to consider and report.

Gray  
Prince. that

Petition of Noah Gray to be paid for land taken to continue Prince Street from Hancock Street to North Square. Ref'd to Wm. Leighton & Curran.



Petition of Leach Harris & Son claim<sup>g</sup>.  
for land & buildings taken for the purpose of con-  
tinuing Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Wetmore and Greele.

Petition of Abel Phelps & William Phelps  
Hayden Jr. to be compensated for land taken to wi-  
den Port and Salem Streets. Referred to Aldermen  
Cassell and C. A. W.

Communications from the Judge of the  
the Municipal Court including a communication from  
the same, for the purpose of the same in the Court, that  
and the prisoners confined therein. Referred to the  
Committee on the Jail &c. with full power to make  
such alterations in warming the rooms and other  
matters as they shall judge expedient.

An order was received from the  
Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, requiring  
that requisition be laid as to the state of mind of James  
Wilson of said Boston, victualier, who has been repre-  
sented as a person non compos mentis and in-  
capable of taking care of himself. Read & thereupon  
Ordered, that the said Wilson be notified to appear  
before this board, on Monday next, at 10 o'clock A.M. and  
show cause, if any he have, why he should be declared  
non compos mentis in order, that a guardian be ap-  
pointed to him according to law.



10.

Wood

Measures

return.

John R. Bradford wood measure  
returned that he measured the last year, seven hundred  
and four loads of wood. and William  
Whitlock, that he measured eleven hundred &  
in the same time.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 O'Clock.

J. H.

Common

Council

member

qualified

Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup> 1834. Asa Lewis  
member elect of Ward No 4. appeared and took  
the several oaths required by law, as a member of the  
Common Council, before the Mayor.

At a meeting of the Mayor & Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at the City Hall on  
Monday the twentieth day of January. A.D. 1834.

Present The Mayor and the whole board of  
Aldermen.

Order of the

Common Council appointing Messrs Williams, Oliver, Prescott, Shaw & Enoch  
H. Peeling, with such as the board of Aldermen.



might join a committee to superintend the erection 11.  
of the New Court House. — Came up for concurrence  
Read & non concurred

Order of the Common Council ap- Police & Justice's  
pointing Messrs. Paine, Prescott and Teabody, with Courts.  
such as the board of Aldermen might join a com-  
mittee to consider and report whether it be expedi-  
ent to apply to the Legislature for any alteration  
in the act establishing the Police & Justice's Courts  
and particularly, if it be expedient that the number  
of Justices of said courts be reduced to two. — Came  
up for concurrence. — Read and concurred, and Alder-  
men Holman and Trimmer voted.

Order of the Common Council ap- Wooden  
pointing Messrs. Prescott, Oliver and Smith a com- Buildings.  
mittee to consider & report upon the expediency of  
Petitioning the Legislature for the passage of a bill  
respecting the erection of wooden buildings in the city,  
and that the papers and documents on file, having  
reference to the same be placed in the hands of said  
committee. — Came up for concurrence. — Read and  
concurred, and the Mayor and Aldermen Holman  
and Lighter were joined.

Report of the Chief Engineer of Fire Department  
the fire department of the number of fires, the amount Chief Engineer  
of property destroyed, and the amount insured. returns of fires  
Read & sent down



12.  
Public  
Buildings

Ordered, that the several resolves,  
passed by the City Council in the years 1832 & 1833,  
providing for the care and management of the pub-  
lic buildings be revived and continued in force during  
the present year. Sent down for concurrence. Came  
up concurred.

Warren  
Theatre

Petition of William Felby, manager of  
the Warren Theatre, for a renewal of the licence of  
that Theatre. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore  
and Greele.

Suffolk  
Bank  
Petition

Petition of A. Benjamin, in behalf of  
the Suffolk Bank, that Flagg alley, may be closed  
at certain periods during the time of taking down  
of old building, and erecting a new one on land,  
at the corner of said alley, and State street.  
Referred to Aldermen Wetmore & Greele, with full  
power to grant the same.

Cambridge  
Petition  
of

Ordered, that the several petitions  
of Nathaniel Hammond and others, and the re-  
monstrance of J. E. Tolison, and others, for and against  
the placing a bell on the Mills School house or the  
English High School, to be rung on the alarm of  
fire, be taken from the files & referred to the Committee  
on the fire department.

Reformation

Agreeably to a signment, the board  
proceeded.



proceeded by ballot, to the choice of a Director of the 13.  
House of Reformation, in place of Samuel A. Eliot, Esq.  
resigned, and the votes being taken, it appeared that  
Stephen Fairbanks, Esquire was unanimously chosen.  
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Agreeably to assignment the board Resident  
proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Resident Physician - Physician  
at Rainford Island, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Doctor Jerome F. C. Smith was unanimously  
chosen. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred.

Agreeably to assignment the board Keeper of  
proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Keeper of Rainford Island, and the votes being taken, it appeared that John  
Minot was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Chosen.  
Came up concurred.

Agreeably to assignment, the board Chief Engineer  
proceeded by ballot to the choice of Chief Engineer of the fire  
of the fire department, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Thomas C. Amory, Esquire was  
chosen. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred.

The following persons were chosen Fire department  
on the part of this board Engineers of the fire de-  
partment, to rank in the order, in which they stand.  
Engineer  
Chosen.  
1784



14. viz. Messrs Benjamin M. Nevers, John Hammond,  
David Tilton, Henry Smith, David Kimball,  
George M. Smith, John Greene Junr. William G.  
Eaton, A. A. Shallow, James G. Sanderson, Richard A.  
Newell, William B. Swift, Luther Russell, Charles S.  
Clark, William Willott, John Shelton, Alfred A.  
Wellington, and Thomas Molloy, Junr.

Sent down for concurrence.  
Arose up concurred.

Finance.

The following gentlemen, belonging to  
the former board of Engineers of the fire depart-  
ment declined a re-election, viz. Messrs William  
Barnicot, Elis. Munroe, Peter Dunbar, Thomas  
Curtis, William G. Edgemon, John A. Miller,  
John Colman, Jr and Nehemiah P. Mann.

Committee on

Aldermen Ellis and Bates were appointed a standing committee on the Watch and Lamps.

Committee.

Ordered, that the order in relation  
to the construction of vaults, adopted by the last board  
of Aldermen be adopted as the guide of the present  
board.

Committee on

Finance.

Relief of Sick and Poor. To have  
the same returned for calling on the citizens who  
they occupy at the corner of Concord Street and  
Mill Creek extended to the first day of July next.  
Referred to Aldermen Easton & Burnham.



• Petition of John Wagner, to be paid 15.  
for land taken to make a street over the Mill Creek. Wagner  
Referred to Aldermen Lighton & Gurney. See Case

• Petition of Jonathan Cary and Henry Cary  
F. Oliver, claiming damages for taking their land and Commercial  
buildings for the extension of Commercial Street. Referred to  
Aldermen Lighton & Gurney. Street.

• Petition of Milton and Tremere,  
claiming damages in consequence of the altering the  
location of the Street, in extension of Commercial  
Street, as originally laid out. Referred to Aldermen  
Lighton and Gurney. Milton  
Tremere  
Commercial  
Street

• Petition of Margaret Dawes to be  
indemnified for taking her land for the extension  
of Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore  
and Greck. Dawes.  
Broad Street.

• William Wright's demand against  
the City, amounting to one hundred and one dollars  
and seven and three cents for occupying his premises  
during the time of repairing the Free bridge. Referred  
to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham. Wright

• Memorial of Obed Pratt, respecting  
a building which he occupies, situated on land belong-  
ing to the City, on Merrimac & South Margin Street.  
Which he has been notified to quit on or before the  
first.



16. 1st of April next... Referred to Aldermen Watson  
and Greble...

A requisition of the Judge of Probate  
for the County of Suffolk, that inquisition be made,  
as to the state of mind of Thomas Wallcut, of Boston,  
Gentleman, who has been represented to be a person  
non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of  
himself. And thereupon ordered, that the  
said Wallcut be notified to appear before this board,  
on Monday, next, four o'clock, P.M. and show cause, if  
any he have, why he should not be declared non com-  
pos mentis, in order that a Guardian be appointed  
to him according to law.

Wilson  
non compos  
mentis

It appearing to this board, that notice  
has been given to Jason Wilson, agreeably to the order  
passed at the last meeting of this board, to appear and  
show cause, if any he had, why he should not be de-  
clared non compos mentis, and incapable of taking  
care of himself... The said Wilson does not appear,  
but it appears that he is a patient in the McLean  
Asylum for the insane. And after the examination of  
diverse witnesses under oath, and mature deliberation  
thereon had, the board are of opinion that the said  
Wilson is a person non compos mentis & incapable of  
taking care of himself, and thereupon ordered that  
a certificate to that effect be made and signed by  
the members of this board in order that a Guardian  
be



appointed to him, according to Law.

17.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized & Small & Co. and requested to sign & present in behalf of the City, a Hospital Petition to the Legislature, to be reimbursed the amount expended for the erection of the Small Pox Hospital on Rainsford Island, over and above the sum granted by the last Legislature; and that the Senators and Representatives of this County and City, be requested to promote the passage of the same through the Legislature.

The City Treasurer and Auditor certify that a bond made by Henry H. Tuckerman, to Mortgage to be the City, for the sum of three thousand dollars, secured discharged by a mortgage recorded with Suffolk deeds Lib. 312 folio 82. has been fully paid both principal and interest thereon. Ordered, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and requested to discharge said mortgage on the records.

Memorial of Nathan C. Brown, Mayor of Boston, praying for liberty to use in the harbour of Boston, two steam dredging Machines in deepening the water, and depositing the mud on the flats east of the channel leading from Central wharf to South Boston, and thereby forming a new water channel for deepening at the wharves between Central wharf and South Boston, with the privilege of building a dry dock for the repairing of vessels in said water.



18. ... made within four years  
shall become the property of him and his associates.  
Read & thereupon ordered, that the petitioner have  
leave to withdraw his petition.

Lands for  
public im-  
provements

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen  
Eliot and Bates with such as the Common Council  
may join, be a committee to consider the expediency  
of applying to the Legislature of this Commonwealth,  
during its present session, for the passage of a  
law, making provision for the adjustment of claims  
for damages against the City, by persons whose land may  
have been taken in making public improvements.  
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,  
and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs  
Williams, Hastings, James and Paine.

Common  
iron fence  
around.

Ordered, that the committee on the Com-  
mon be instructed to procure plans and estimates of  
the expense of erecting a neat and substantial iron  
fence, around the Common, and the open space on  
Fort Hill; also to inquire what portion of this expense  
may be defrayed by subscription.

Hodley, wood  
measurer  
return.

Hoses Hodley, measurer of Wood re-  
turned, that he measured the last year, twelve hun-  
dred and eighty nine loads of wood, brought into the  
City over West Boston Bridge. Read and filed.



Ordered, that Thomas Phillips and 19.

John A. Windsor be and they are hereby appointed assessors  
of Hay and Straw & Merchandise, for the present year, vizt Hay  
M<sup>r</sup> Phillips at the Southern scales and M<sup>r</sup> Bradford Heighers  
at the Northern scales. Sent down for concurrence.  
came up concurred.

Ordered, that the Committee of Bonney  
the western district be instructed, to carry into effect Vine Street  
the report of the Committee on the petition of Pelham  
Bonney, and others, to have Vine Street widened.  
accepted by the board of Aldermen Dec<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1833.

The Committee on the petition of Phelps  
Abel Phelps and William Hayden Jun. to appropriate  
a piece of land, taken to widen Salem & Bond Sts. have  
had the same under consideration & do report,  
that after viewing the premises & considering the lo-  
cal & relative situation and all the advantages and  
disadvantages in effecting said improvement, are  
of opinion that said petitioners will sustain a tax  
of two dollars <sup>50</sup> per square foot and that they  
be paid that amount by the City Treasurer upon  
the execution of a good and sufficient deed. Read  
and accepted, with an amendment, vizt that there  
be allowed on said land two dollars and not more  
five cents per foot.

The Committee appointed to take into W. L. School  
consideration the expediency of altering the room in House



20. the Wells School House for the reception of Pupils, ask  
leave to report that on enquiring they find that the May-  
low School can accommodate nearly Two Hundred  
more than it now has, and the Bowdoin School for  
girls can receive from fifty to sixty. The Committee  
therefore are no doubt that the surplus will be re-  
moved to the above schools. They therefore ask leave  
to be discharged from any further consideration of  
the subject. For the Committee, Charles Lighton  
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred.

121.

The Committee on the Jail &c to whom  
was referred the presentation of the grand Jury respecting  
the Jail in Market Street with a view to erect a Jail  
in the premises, beg leave to Report, That they have  
inspected the Jail, and grant that the complaints  
of the prisoners of suffering from cold were not with-  
out foundation. The principal cause of this evil is  
the want of ventilation of the cells, at the upper  
part of which a narrow aperture a sufficient portion  
of warm air cannot be made to pass from the entry, to  
render the cell properly warm in cold weather. This  
is an evil which so far as the Committee are able  
to perceive, is irremediable, & arises from the faulty con-  
struction of the prison. To render its inmates more  
comfortable, therefore the Committee have directed an  
other plan to be added to the two thin ones now  
allowed to each prisoner; & to ensure a supply of warm  
air in the entries they have caused an iron stove of



of Alger's construction to be placed in the 2<sup>d</sup> Storey, 21.  
and the heat of the furnace to be confined to the lower  
storey, and fires to be continued during the night in  
cold weather, in both the furnace and the Storey.

These arrangements, it is hoped, will secure a more  
suitable degree of warmth in the apartments of the  
prisoners. - For the Committee, Samuel V. Eliot

Read and accepted

The Committee to whom was referred Sunday  
the application of Charles Stoddard, president of the School  
the Boston Sunday School Union, for the use of the Union  
rooms of the Wells School house on sabbath days,  
having considered the application, beg leave to  
Report, That, in their opinion, it is inexpedient to  
grant the request made in behalf of the Sunday  
School Union. As the committee are desirous  
neither to oppose, nor to appear to thwart the use-  
ful and benevolent designs of a valuable institu-  
tion, they beg leave to state the reasons which  
have induced them to recommend the refusal  
of the application. Experience has proved that  
much injury has been done to school rooms which  
have heretofore been used, under the permission  
of this board, by Sunday schools. It would be easy  
to enumerate reasons which would render it very  
probable a priori that such would be the case, as the  
different character of the children who attend the  
Sunday schools from that of those who frequent the  
school on other days, the want of interest of both teachers



22. & scholars in the house, & the inferior degree of control  
exercised by the instructors of such Schools. But it  
is unnecessary to discuss the validity of these reasons,  
as experience has determined the fact that injury,  
has been done to the school houses by such Sunday  
schools, sufficient to justify the board in refusing  
all future applications of the sort. & If the fact be dis-  
puted, and it be asserted that the injuries referred  
to, have been done by the habitual occupants of the  
rooms, & either ignorantly, or wilfully attributed to  
the Sunday School, then the committee are of opinion  
that the doubt is a sufficient reason for the exclusion  
of the Sunday School. It is not proper nor expedient  
that the two parties should have opportunity mutu-  
ally to accuse each other of waste or injury of the  
public property. An additional fact of injury was  
also a motive with the committee for the refusal.  
They believe that other places, more suitable to the  
instruction on sacred subjects intended to be given by  
Sunday schools, may easily be obtained & that it will  
be more proper to them to conduct them as the public  
schools, and not as Sunday schools. On the  
Committee

James A. Diet.

Read & accepted.

Wm  
School

The Joint Committee of the City Council  
to whom was referred a Communication from the  
Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles McKisson in behalf of the Directors  
of the Western Union, enclosing a petition from  
said



said Directors to the General Court for the annexa- 23.  
tion of Thompson's Island to the City of Boston, have  
attended to the subject and ask leave to report,  
That in their opinion the interests of the City do  
not require that any measures should be adopted  
by the City Council in relation to the proposed an-  
nexation of said Island to the City. For the reasons

Thomas H. Moore

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence

Came up concurred.

The Committee to whom was referred  
the petition of William Knapp and others, praying  
that a room in the lower story of the Wells School House  
be fitted up as a ward room, beg leave to Report, That  
it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petition  
at the present time, and ask to be discharged from  
the farther consideration of the subject. For the  
Committee

Samuel A. Eliot

Read & accepted.

Knapp

Ward room

Ward 5.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock.

P. M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
held at City Hall on Monday the twenty-seventh day  
of January, Anno Domini 1834.

Present... The Mayor, and the whole board of Alder-  
men, except Alderman Wetmore.

Surveys of  
Highways

Order of the Common Council appoi-  
ning the Mayor and Aldermen Surveyors of Highways.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Sewer drains

An Ordinance relative to Sewers &  
drains passed...

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Memoir to  
borrow Money

A. R. order of the Common Council  
reviving an order passed by the last City Council,  
authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow, under the  
direction of the Committee of Finance, a sum of money  
not exceeding ten thousand dollars to meet all the  
appropriations granted by said Council, as the same  
may be wanted...

Came up for concurrence.

Read & nonconcurred.

Coolidge

Order of the Common Council,  
committing the petition of Cornelius Coolidge to be  
released from an obligation for land purchased of  
the City to Messrs. William C. Hastings, Winthrop,  
Coulter and Co. and to be referred to the Board of  
Aldermen



Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence... Read and concurred, Aldermen Gurney, Greble and Eliot were joined.

Petition of Almy, Blake & Co and others, to have the Auction sales in Liberty square regulated or discontinued; Referred to Aldermen Wilmore and Greble.

Order of Common Council appointing Messrs James Hastings and Peabody a Committee to confer with such Committee as might be appointed on the part of this board in relation to the subject matter of difference between the two boards, respecting the appointing of a Committee to superintend the erection of the New Court house on Court street. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Leighton, Wilmore and Eliot were appointed on the part of this board.

Petition of Francis C. Lowell and others to have Tremont street raised. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Petition of John Davis and others to have a new pound erected at South Boston. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

William Andrew was nominated and appointed a Constable.



26.

Theodore Washburn, was appointed Engineer of the fire department, the present fire department year, in place of Thomas Moley Junior, who declines serving.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Overseer of the Poor.

Notice was received of the death of George W. Kern, Overseer of the Poor of Ward No. 3. thereupon Ordered, that a warrant be issued for a meeting of the Selectmen of said Ward on Monday next, Twelve O'clock M. to fill the vacancy, and that the poll be kept open until 3 O'clock P.M.

Iron Safes  
City Hall

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Leighton and Eliot, be a committee with instructions to receive iron safes, or the keeping of the important documents in the City Hall, of such construction as they may deem suitable.

Engine men

&

Firemen

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Firemen Ward No. 6. to have an alarm bell placed on the English High School house, reported, that a bell be placed on said house to weigh not less than 300, nor more than 500 pounds, and to be rung only in case of fire. Accepted.

Hammond

The Committee on the Petition of Nathaniel Hammond and others, that an alarm bell be placed on the Wells School house, reported, that the



the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition. 27.  
Read & accepted.

& Petition of Andrew P. Drake for Drake.  
leave to stop opposite Washington Coffee House, Washington  
street, with an Omnibus, a carriage for the conveyance of  
passengers. Referred to Aldermen Hotmore & Greble.

& Memorial of Amasa Stetson, and Stetson  
the heirs of Rufus Stetson, concerning their estate  
on Market square. Referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Thayer  
Greble, Gurney, and Ellis.

& Petitions of Isaac Packard, and Packard  
Elijah & Heathorbee to be paid for land taken from them  
for the extension of Broad street. Referred to Al-  
dermen Hotmore & Greble.

& Petition of William Lawrence for Lawrence  
chase a piece of land bounding on Prince Street, between Prince &  
Hanover street and North square. Referred to Alder-  
men Leighton & Gurney.

& Petition of Rowland Ellis, to be Ellis  
paid the damage for taking his land to make a street Prince Street  
in continuation of Prince Street, between Hanover street  
and North square. Referred to Aldermen Leighton  
and Gurney.



Memorials of Lemuel Pope and  
 Pope & Coptham Sarah Watkins, respecting taking their land and re-  
 Dorne street moving, &c. from their houses to widen Dorne street.  
 Referred to Aldermen, Bates & Eliot.

Wallcut  
 non compos  
 mentis

It appearing to this board, that  
 notice has been given to Thomas Wallcut, agreeably  
 to the order passed at the last meeting. And now  
 no person appearing to object, and after the examina-  
 on of the witnesses under the aid and mature delibera-  
 tion being thereon had, the board are of opinion,  
 that the said Thomas Wallcut is a person non  
 compos mentis & incapable of taking care of himself,  
 and that a certificate to that effect be signed by the  
 Mayor and Aldermen, in order that a Guardian may  
 be appointed the said Wallcut according to law.

Milton and

Thomas

street

The Committee on the petition of  
 Messrs Milton and Thomas, claiming damages in  
 consequence of the alteration of the route of the new  
 street made in continuation Commercial street,  
 reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw  
 their petition.

Read and accepted

House of

Directors

Ordered, that the Board of Direc-  
 tors of the House of Reformation be required to make  
 a report of the state of that institution on the 31<sup>st</sup> day  
 of March next, comprising the number & sex of the in-  
 terested in the establishment, the nature of the office  
 for which each of them was placed there, the number



and age of the children who have been bound out, 24.  
within the last quarter, and to what persons and to  
what trades they have been bound out, and any  
other circumstances which they may think require  
the attention of the City government in relation to that  
institution; and that they be further required to make  
a similar return at the end of every quarter thereafter.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The Assessors presented a list of 4. expen  
persons, partnerships and corporations who were tax  
ed twenty-five dollars & upwards in the City for the upward  
year 1833. Thereupon ordered, that the usual num  
ber of copies of the same be printed for the use of the  
members of the City Council, the Assessors and Assis  
tant Assessors.

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested Webster  
to write to Doctor Webster and inform him that in the  
opinion of this board, the books mentioned in his com  
munication, belong to the City and that they will be  
taken care of by the proper officer when they shall be  
delivered at the City Hall.

The Joint Committee of the City Police and  
Council who were directed to consider & report whether Justice  
it is expedient to apply to the Legislature for any altera  
tion in the Act establishing the Police and Justice  
Court, and particularly whether it is expedient that  
the number of the Justices of those Courts be reduced



30. to two; Have attended to the subject and ask leave  
to report that it is not expedient to apply to the  
Legislature for the purpose aforesaid & that it is  
not expedient that the number of said Justices  
should be reduced to two. For the Committee  
Thomas Holmoe.

Read & accepted - sent down for con.<sup>ce</sup>

Nichols and  
S.

The Committee to whom was referred  
the Petition of Nichols & S. requesting that the  
Store at the corner of Hanover Street and the Mill  
Creek, may remain undisturbed until the first of  
July next, have had the same under consideration  
and ask leave to Report, that the prayer of said  
petitioners be so far granted as to allow said Store  
to remain entire until said time, provided, it does  
not materially impede the progress of the contem-  
plated improvement by opening said Street. For  
the Committee

Nathan Gurney,

Read & accepted.

Gray  
Prince Street

The Committee to whom was referred  
the application of Frank Gray for compensation for  
land taken for the continuation of Prince Street  
from Hanover Street to the North Square Report  
that said Gray be allowed in full compensation at  
the rate of one dollar & 25/100 per foot whenever he shall  
make to the City good and sufficient deeds of the  
same. Charles Lighten, Nathan Gurney, Committee

Read and accepted



The Committee to whom was referred 31.  
the Petition of William Pelby for a license for theatrical  
performances in the Warren Theatre from the nineteenth  
day of January instant to the end of the present  
season, have attended to the subject and ask leave  
to report an order. For the Committee, Tho<sup>s</sup> Wolmore

Read and accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that a license be granted to William  
Pelby for theatrical performances in the Warren Theatre  
for the term of five months from the nineteenth day  
of January instant; Provided however that said  
Pelby first pay to the City the sum of three hundred  
and seventy five dollars.

Levi Bartlett, Esquire member of the  
Common Council of Ward 4 appeared and made  
oath of qualification to the several  
qualifications required by law to qualify him to take his  
seat, in that branch of the City Council, the same  
being administered to him by the Mayor.

Member of the  
Common Council  
qualifying  
May 1<sup>st</sup> 18

Adjourned to Monday next  
4 o'clock P. M.

Met a meeting of the board of Aldermen, held at City Hall on Monday the third day of February. Anno Domini 1834.

Present. The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Court  
House

The committee of conference on the subject of appointing a joint committee to superintend the erection of the New Court House, Reported, that this board do recede from its former vote, and concur in said order, and join said committee, accepted, and this board recedes accordingly, and the Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, Wilmore and Leighton, were joined.

School  
Committee

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Murell, Gould, & Peabody, & Prescott and Smith, with such of the board of Aldermen might join, a Committee to consider & report upon the expediency of applying to the Legislature for an alteration of the City Charter in relation to the Constitution, mode of election and powers of the the School Committee. Resolved in concurrence. Found & concurred, and Aldermen Wilmore, Fates, Gurney and Greele were joined.

Watch

Rules and regulations for the government of the Watch, read and referred to the Mayor, and the Committee on the Watch.



Petition of Winslow Lewis, and 33.

others, to have the Marginal street continued from Lewis  
the termination of Front street at the Boston South Marginal  
bridge to Northampton street. Referred to Aldermen Street  
Wilmore, Leighton and Eliot, with instructions to  
apply to the Legislature for leave to lay out said street  
over tide water.

Petition of William Wright to have Wright

Second street at South Boston, opened from Forester Second street  
ter street to Turnpike street. Referred to Alder-  
men Ellis and Dunham.

Communication of Isaac Newcomb Newcomb

wishing to contract to erect a sea wall at South Boston Sea wall  
ton Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham.

Petition of Ephraim Milton and Milton

others, to have the passage leading from Ann street  
at the head of Union wharf continued to Commer-  
cial street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and  
Gurney.

Petition of Henry J. Oliver, and others Oliver

owners of real estate on Dunn street, desiring that Dunn street  
the name of said street may be changed to Commer-  
cial street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and  
Gurney.

The Surveyor General of Lumber made a return

a return of all the lumber which has been surveyed of Lumber  
by his deputies the last year. Read and sent down. Return

William Tisk, measurer of Wood, returned, that he measured the last year <sup>nearly</sup> twenty-five loads of wood, and Jacob Herrick, one thousand and eighty-four loads of wood for the same time.

Vine Street.

The Committee appointed upon the subject of widening Vine Street, reported that the order passed on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December last be carried into effect.  
Read and accepted.

Wood

Stands for  
sale of

Ordered, that, there be established two stands for the sale of wood and bark brought into this City, from the Country in carts, sleds or wagons, viz<sup>t</sup> the northern stand to be in Merrimac Street, beginning at Green Dragon, formerly so called now Union Street, to extend westward to the southern stand to be in Fremont Street beginning at the side of the granary, burying place, so called extending northward leaving openings at the cross streets. And that the fee for measuring each load of wood be six and a quarter cents.

Village alarm

of fire

Ordered, that the Committee on the fire department be instructed to consider and report on the expediency of causing a sufficient number of bells to be provided to be rung only in case of an alarm of fire.

Stage coaches

Stands for

Ordered that the owners and drivers of Stage Coaches and other public carriages, running at stated times between this City, and any



been within ten miles thereof, are hereby prohibited, 35.  
standing with any such coach or carriage in any  
street lane or square within the City longer than five  
minutes at any one time..

& Petition of Noah Lincoln, with Lincoln's  
the order of notice thereon, praying leave to carry out "where"  
his wharf further into the Channel. - Referred to  
- Aldermen Leighton and Gurney, with such as the  
Common Council may join, to consider and report  
sent down for concurrence... Came up concurred &  
the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Gray,  
Hearse and Hull..

The Committee to whom was referred Sargent  
the petition of Daniel Sargent, and others, respecting Wooden  
wooden building, reported a bill to be introduced an  
act for the protection of the City of Boston against fire.  
Read and ordered to be printed for the use of the  
members of the City Council..

& Petition of William Pelby, manager Pelby  
of the Warren Theatre, praying, that the board would Warren  
reconsider its former vote in granting a licence to Theatre  
said Theatre, and that he may be heard respecting  
the same.. Read and thereupon ordered, that the  
petitioner have a hearing on Monday next, four Clock  
P.M.

Petition of Joseph Hunting, claiming Hunting  
damages in consequence of having his chair carried out  
in Broad Street between Summer and East streets

36.

Wagon  
Tombs

Petition of Isaac Brown concerning  
time, which is built on the South burial ground praying  
that he may be paid the balance in hand there. Referred  
to the Committee on burial grounds...

Auctioneer

Joseph B. Prince licensed as an Auctioneer  
at No 5 Wilsons Lane, upon giving bonds which shall be  
approved by this board...

Wass  
Sudbury  
Street

Petition of Moses Wass to be paid  
for land taken to widen Sudbury street. Referred  
to Aldermen Wetmore & Breck.

Hart and  
Lincoln  
Commercial  
Street

Petitions of Mehitable Hart and  
Noah Lincoln to be paid for their estates taken to  
extend Commercial street. - Referred to Aldermen  
Leighton & Curney...

Pope  
Derne Street

The Committee to whom was referred  
the petition of Samuel Pope to be paid for land & damage  
to his estate taken the last year to widen Derne street,  
do hereby submit the following order to the  
Committee...

Samuel Pope,

Read & accepted & thereupon  
Ordered that the sum of ten hundred dollars be  
allowed to said Samuel Pope in addition to the sum  
of three hundred dollars granted him in December  
last for land taken to widen Derne street, to be  
in full of all demands.



The committee to whom was referred 37.  
the petition of Sarah Hopkins to be paid for land taken  
and damage to her estates taken the last year to  
widen Ferne street ask him to submit the following  
order. For the Committee. James F. Baker

Read & accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that the sum of one Hundred dollars  
be paid to said Hopkins in addition to the sum of  
three Hundred dollars granted her in December  
last for land taken to widen Ferne street to be  
an full of all demands.

The committee to whom was referred. Almy, Blake & Co.  
the petition of the Merchants and others requesting  
that auction sales may be prohibited or restricted  
in Liberty square, have attended to the subject & ask  
leave to report an order of notice to all parties in-  
terested. For the Committee. Geo. T. Moore

Read & accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that all persons interested be notified  
to appear before the Board on Monday next, four  
o'clock P. M. & show cause if they see fit, why sales  
by auction should not be prohibited or restricted  
in Liberty square.

The committee to whom was referred. Grant  
the demand of the Board for a lot of land taken to  
Prince street between Hanover street and South  
square made a report. Read and accepted with  
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38. an amendment, that he be paid twelve and an half  
cents per foot in addition to the former report...

Adjourned to Monday, next 4 o'clock.  
P. M.

Met a meeting of the board of Aldermen,  
held at City Hall on Monday the tenth day of Febru-  
ary Anno Domini 1834.

Present— The Mayor, and the whole board of Alder-  
men...

Common Council. A quorum being present the board  
proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Surveyor General  
of Lawer, and the votes being taken it appeared, that  
George W. Otis was unanimously chosen.

Put down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Street Superintendent. A quorum being present the board pro-  
ceeded by ballot to the choice of Superintendent of  
streets, and the votes being taken it appeared that  
Zephaniah Sampson was unanimously chosen.

Put down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.



Agreeably to assignment the board 39.

proceeded by ballot to the choice of Superintendent of the water  
Boston & the Bridge, and the vote being taken it ap- superintendent  
peared that William Turner was chosen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

John R. Y. Bradlee; James Wilson, Wood

Measures and in William R. R. William R. R. and measures  
Jacob Corrick were nominated and appointed meas- chosen  
urers of wood and bark.

Ordered, that the fees for meas- fees for  
uring each load of wood and bark brought into the measuring  
city for sale, from the country, be eight cents.

James Wilson was nominated Crier  
and appointed public Crier. Chosen

Ordered, that the several con- constables who  
stables which shall hereafter be designated by the attend fires  
Mayor, to attend fires, shall be paid one dollar each  
for their services.

Petition of Solomon Piper, Piper  
and others, to have that part of Broad Street which Farnam  
extends from Purchase Street to the Water Bridge, Street  
called Farnam Street. Referred to Aldermen Bates,  
Punham and Eliot.

Ordered, that the communication of the Mayor on the subject of introducing water into the City, and the petition of Warren Dutton & others on the same subject, be referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore and Fales, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. - Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Rice, Oliver, Peabody, Shaw & Marell.

Sewers and  
drains

An ordinance relative to sewers & drains, came up for concurrence, with amendments. Read and nonconcurred. - The Common Council afterwards reconsidered its former vote and concurred with the board of Aldermen in passing said ordinance.

Fire protection  
against

The draft of a bill, entitled "an act for the protection of the City of Boston against fire." Read, amended and laid on the table.

Engineers of  
the Department

Resolves of the Common Council, that the Hon. of the City Council be presented to Messrs William Barnicoat, Otis Munroe, Peter Dugbar, Thomas Carleton, William S. Richardson, John Tyler, John Collamore Junior and H. Hevia P. Mann, past Engineers in the fire department, for their faithful services for several years past.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.



Ordered, that the owners and occupants 41.  
of buildings taken to widen No. 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of firemen of Ward No 12, for the increase of number, reported that the same of the prayer of the petition is granted.

Read & accepted.

Rules and regulations for the good government of the watch. Read & accepted, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Watchmen.

Petition of George Bond, Treasurer of Mount Auburn Cemetery, to have the charge for the general car reduced, in certain cases. Referred to the Committee on burial grounds &c.

The Committee on the petition of William Wright to have second street opened at South Boston, reported, that it is imprudent to open the same at present. Read and accepted.

Petition of Jonathan D. Robins, to be paid for land &c. taken to extend Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Holmes and Greig.

42.

Johnson. Petition of Elizabeth Johnson, to be paid for damages in being obliged to move from her house taken to a bad commercial street. Referred to Aldermen Beighton and Gurney.

Adjourned to Monday next 4<sup>th</sup> Clock  
P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday, the seventeenth day of February, Anno Domini 1834.

Present: The Mayor, and Aldermen Ellis, McIntosh, Beighton, Gurney, Eliot and Greble.

Treasurer

Order of the Common Council authorizing the Treasurer to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum of money not exceeding seven thousand dollars, for such term of time as the said Committee may deem for the interest of the City. The amount so borrowed to be placed to the credit of the Committee on the reduction of the City debt. - Came up for concurrence. - Read & nonconcurrent



Order of the Common Council directing A.B.

that the papers and documents relating to the purchase of wood and  
rent of wood and such to be taken from the City's work  
and referred to Messrs. Roulstone, Sears & Cutler, with  
such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider  
and report. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred  
and Aldermen, Ellis & Gurney, are joined.

Order of the Common Council directing Loan

the Committee of finance, viz Messrs Williams, Can-  
ningham, Bartlett James, Mord, Eustice, and Fremore,  
with such as the board of Aldermen might join  
a committee with full powers to make application,  
in behalf of the City, to such bankers, Merchants,  
or others, in Europe as they may think proper, and  
ascertain on what terms and conditions a loan can  
be obtained to cover the whole or a part of the City's  
debt with instructions to report the result of their enquiry  
to the City Council as soon as may be; same upon con-  
currence. Read and concurred and the Mayor, Al-  
dermen Elliot, Sales and Troughton are joined.

William Selby, manager of the Pelby  
Warren Theatre, was heard before the board by his coun- Warren  
cil agreeably to his petition, that the board would con- Theatre  
sider its vote granting a licence to said Theatre, that the  
price thereof may be reduced. And after a full hear-  
ing and mature deliberation thereon, the board are of  
opinion that the sum for said licence ought not to be  
reduced.

44.

Lincoln's  
Wharf

The Committee to whom was referred the order of notice on the petition of Noah Lincoln to the Legislature, for an extension of his wharf, reported that it is not for the interest of the City, to oppose the extension of said wharf. Read & accepted.

Sent down for concurrence

Concurrence.

Oliver

The Committee on the petition of Oliver A. Chandler, & others, praying that the name of Lynn Street may be changed to Commercial Street. Reported the following order vizt.

Ordered that Lynn Street from Pine Street to Hanover Street, and that part of Ann Street from Hanover Street until it meets Commercial Street, be hereafter called and known by the name of Commercial Street. Read, accepted, and the order passed.

Little

Fish Market

Petition of E. H. Little, & others to have a fish market established at the north part of the City. Referred to the Committee on the Market.

West Boston

Bridge

Petition of the proprietors of West Boston Bridge, to have that part of said bridge between Cambridge Street & Charles Street occupied as a public highway. Referred to Aldermen Ellis, Helmer & Lupton.

Mill pond

Wharf Company

Petition of J. T. Jackson agent for the Mill Pond Wharf Company, praying that the loca-



tion of the train & streets man to be determined over their  
land from the mill creek to Canal bridge. Referred  
to Aldermen, Eliot, Gurney, and Greele.

The Committee to whom was referred Claims  
an order of the City Council proposing an enquiry into the land  
the expediency of applying to the Legislature for the purpose taken to widen  
age of a law, making provision for the adjustment of Streets  
claims for damages against the City by persons whose  
land may have been taken for public improvements.  
Reported, that it is not expedient to make an applica-  
tion to the Legislature, for that purpose. Read & accepted.  
Sent down for concurrence  
Came up concurred.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Alder- Leighton with  
Men Eliot, Gurney, & a committee to inquire  
into the practicality and expense of lighting the streets  
or any part of them, with gas instead of oil.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Alder- Appropriations  
men Holman, Eliot and Greele, with such as the Com-  
mon Council may join, be a committee on appropriations  
for the year, sent down for concurrence. Came up  
concurred & the Common Council joined on its part  
Messrs Williams, Cunningham, Bartlett, Kimball, Mordant  
Custis & Tremon.

Ordered, that Aldermen Eliot, School houses  
Ellis and Leighton, be a committee to consider and  
streets to be made  
united in a

26.  
Watch

Ordered, that the Captain of the Watch  
be directed to purchase twenty hair mattresses and twenty  
pillows for the use of the northern, western,  
southern and south Boston Watch Houses, provided the  
cost of the same do not exceed one hundred and forty  
one dollars and seventy five cents.

Abraham  
Commercial  
Street.

Benjamin. Abraham's claim against the  
City, for damages sustained by him in consequence of wid-  
ening Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Brighten  
and Gurney.

Jonathan  
Commercial  
Street

The Committee on the Petition of Jonathan  
Bary, to be paid ~~damages~~ ~~for~~ land and building  
taken from him, to widen Ann Street. Reported, that the  
City have taken down and removed a large part of a dwel-  
ling house, belonging to said Bary, and have also taken  
four hundred & eighty feet of land from him for the pur-  
pose of widening Ann Street. They therefore are of opinion  
that said City should be fully indemnified for all dam-  
ages sustained by him in widening Ann Street, they there-  
fore offer the following order. For the Committee Charles  
Brighten. Read and accepted, and thereupon Ordered  
that there be paid to Jonathan Bary Six Hundred dollars  
for taking down his Building and damages sustained by  
loss of rent and that there be paid to said Bary the  
further sum of nine hundred and sixty dollars for four  
hundred and eighty feet of land taken to widen Ann  
Street, whenever he shall make to the City a good and suf-  
ficient deed of the same.



Petition of Arthur Snow and son to 47.

to be paid the damage which they sustained in consequence Snow  
extending Broad Street from Purchase Street to Sea Street.  
Referred to Aldermen Holman & Greene.

Petition of William H. Lane, to be paid Lane

for license pulled down to extend Broad Street higher  
Referred to Aldermen Holman & Greene.

Petition of Benjamin Guild, to be paid Guild,

for land taken to widen Washington Street near Milk St.  
Referred to Aldermen Holman & Greene.

Agreeable to a signment, William Warren

Polby, Manager of the Warren Theatre was heard by  
his Council, upon the subject of reducing the amount  
to be paid for a licence for said Theatre. and after mature  
deliberation the Board are of opinion that their former  
rate ought not to be recommended.

Petition of Engine Company No 10. Engine Company

praying that a house may be provided for them. Referred to  
the Committee on the fire department.

The Committee to whom was referred

the petition of George T. ...  
in widening San Street. Report that they have duly consid-  
ered the same and find nothing to be done.  
P. Fuller, Esquire, that the City have taken from said

Office

48. Oliver nine hundred and thirty two feet of land to widen Ann Street and have destroyed the house situated on the same; they therefore ask leave to offer the following order. For the Committee Charles T. Brighton

Read & accepted and thereupon Ordered, that there be paid to Henry S. Oliver, Esquire, for nine hundred and thirty two feet of land taken to widen Ann Street, the sum of two thousand three hundred and thirty dollars and the further sum of eight hundred and thirty six dollars for damages sustained in removing his house; said Oliver giving to the City a good and sufficient deed of the above mentioned land.

Johnson

The Committee to whom was referred

Ann Street the communication of Elizabeth Johnson for damages sustained by her by taking the house occupied by her to widen Ann Street offer the following Report. That Elizabeth Johnson occupied a house on a lease of Henry S. Oliver Esquire, which would have terminated on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June next, at a rent of \$250 per annum that in compliance with a notice of the City Marshal she vacated said house on the ninth day of November last & paid the rent & was discharged in full by the lessor but in consequence of her peculiar circumstances, having occupied said premises as a boarding house and shop, it would necessarily cause some expenditures in removing. The Committee therefore recommend to the Board, to pass the following order which is submitted. For the Committee Nathan Surrage. Read & accepted & thereupon



Ordered, that there be paid to the said Elizabeth 19.  
Johns. the sum of sixty two dollars and fifty cents in  
full of all demands for damages sustained and expenses  
incurred...

The Committee on the petition of Mokitah Hartt  
Hartt to be paid the damage sustained by her by late Ann Street  
ing the house and land which she held as tenant in  
dower to widen Ann Street. Report, that they find  
the City have taken about three fifths of a dwelling  
house, which was assigned and set off to the said Moki-  
table Hartt as dower in the estate of her late husband  
Edmund Hartt deceased, and that the fee of said  
premises is in his heirs, subject, however to the incum-  
berance of said dower, consisting of one thousand and  
sixteen feet of land by S. P. Fuller's plan of the 10<sup>th</sup> of  
February, eighteen hundred and thirty four.

The Committee would further state that  
be a relative comparison of rent in that vicinity they  
would recommend that the board adopt the following  
order, which is respectfully submitted. Nathan Burns  
for the Committee. Read and accepted and thereupon  
Ordered, that there be paid to the said Mokitah Hartt  
an annuity of two hundred twenty five dollars per  
annum in quarterly payments, to commence on the first  
day of March next, and the further sum of one hun-  
dred twenty three dollars too for loss of rent from Novem-  
ber 15<sup>th</sup> 1833. to March 1<sup>st</sup> 1834. three and half months at  
Four hundred and twenty five dollars per annum and  
also thirty five dollars to put the house in a rentable  
state, and open a drain from the house to the street.

20. said sums in full of all demands.

Hickox The Standing Committee on Public Buildings  
Caneock & Co. were referred the petition of J. and V. Fisher for  
a lease of the cellars under the Hancock and Thos  
School Houses, have considered that matter and now  
Report, that they have contracted to lease the cellars  
under the Hancock school house, for three years,  
to the said petitioners, they agreeing to pay for the use  
of the same ninety dollars per annum in quarterly pay-  
ments, the first quarter to commence on the first day  
of March next, provided that said cellar is first  
paved at the expense of the city. For the com-  
mittee.

Theodore Lyman Jr.

Read & accepted.

Warner Petition of John Warner, to have the  
Highway of Court communication around him as corner of the Court House  
House Lovell Street, raised. - Referred to the Committee  
on the Tail.

Milton The Committee on the Petition of Ephraim  
Milton and others to have the passage way leading from  
Ann Street to Union Wharf laid out as a public high-  
way, Report, that in the continuation of Commer-  
cial Street the water by line cuts off the communication  
from Union wharf, by leaving a strip of land about  
ten feet at one end and two feet at the other, and  
the owners have it in contemplation to erect a wall  
across the same they therefore are of opinion that the  
public safety & convenience requires that said passage way



be laid out as a public highway. Charles Loughton 31.  
Nathan Gurney, Committee Read and accepted &  
an order of notice returnable on Monday next, 4 Clock  
P.M. ordered to be issued.

Adjourned to Monday, next 4 Clock  
P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Mon-  
day the twenty-fourth day of February Anno Domini  
1834.

Present The Mayor, and the whole board of Al-  
dermen, except Alderman Wetmore.

Agreeably to assignment the Board Milton  
look into consideration the petition of Ephraim  
Milton, & others praying, that the passage way leading  
from Ann Street may be continued to Commercial  
Street near the head of Union Wharf, and made a  
public street & highway. And several persons were  
heard before the board in and against the same.  
And the petition of R. Binney, and others, in favor  
of the same; and Henry R. May and Nathaniel Goddard  
against it were severally read; On motion the  
several supers were laid upon the table.

Petition of Samuel Miller & others,  
owners of real estate at South Boston, praying that  
the line of the several streets may be designated and  
suitable monuments erected. Read and committed  
to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham

Final

Petition of Nathaniel Vinal, and  
others, for leave to extend their wharf further into  
the channel, near Brown's wharf so called, on Com-  
mercial Street, formerly known as that, with an order  
of notice from the Legislature on the same. Referred  
to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney, with such as the  
Common Council may join, to consider and report.  
Sent down for consideration. Came up concurred,  
and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs  
Washburn, Sargent and Amee.

Pelors

Franklin  
road.

Petition of John Pelors, and others,  
to have the line of Franklyn road altered. Referred  
to Aldermen Welmore & Gracie.

House of  
Reformation

Petition of the Directors of the  
House of Reformation to leave to sit off a certain piece  
of land from the south west corner of the House of  
correction. Referred to the Committee on the Jail  
etc.

House of  
Reformation

Memorial of the Directors of the  
House of Reformation respecting providing proper  
accommodation for said institution. Referred to the  
Mayor, Aldermen Eliot, Gracie and Gurney, with



such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. - Sent down for concurrence. - Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Rice, Gray, Blake, Sears and Keith.

The bill to be presented to the Legislature, entitled "An act for the protection of the City of Boston against fire" was amended and passed. - Sent down for concurrence.

A letter from Doctor Webster, accompanied with the records and proceedings of the committee of donations of which his grandfather was chairman were received. - thereupon Ordered, that the thanks of this board be given to John W. Webster M.D. for having placed in the care and keeping of the City, the records & proceedings of the committee of donations, in the town of Boston, during the operation of the Boston Pat Bill.

Agreeably to assignment the board proceeded, by ballot, to the choice of Superintendent of the Boston South bridge, and the votes being taken it appeared that Benjamin F. Curney was chosen. - Sent down for concurrence. - Came up concurred.

Ordered, that the City Treasurer be & he is hereby authorized to borrow, under direction of the Committee, on the reduction of the City debt.

54. sum of money not exceeding seventy thousand dollars for such term of time as said committee may deem most for the interest of the city; all moneys borrowed under this order to be applied to the redemption of the City debt. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Murder. The Committee on the Petition of John Court Case Murder to have his compensation raised for taking care of the Court House on Leverett Street reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition. Read and accepted.

Mill Pond. The Committee on the petition of Patrick T. Jackson Agent for the mill pond ward corporation, to have streets & drains located; reported, that no action is necessary on the part of the City at present in relation to the same. Read & accepted.

Ewer. Petition of J. V. Ewer to be relieved from the payment of rent of City Wharf on Mill Creek. Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.

Whittemore. Petition of Benjamin J. Whittemore to be paid for land and building taxes to widen Hanscom and Crane Streets. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Cummings. Petition of Elisha Cummings to hire a piece of land adjoining Ward room No 3. Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.



Petition of Frank Gray, to be allowed, &c.  
interest on the sum voted to be paid him, for land. Gray  
taken to extend Prince Street. Referred to Aldermen Sir Prince Street  
Gibson & Gurney.

Ordered that no theatrical or theatrical  
petition for which licence has been obtained from this exhibitions  
board, shall be permitted hereafter to be made on  
Saturday evenings after sunset.

The Committee on the application Lawrence  
of William Lawrence to purchase a piece of land on Prince Street  
Prince Street. Report. That in conversation with  
Mr Lawrence he stated that when the City were  
about bargaining for Pero's estate, some objection  
was made to the purchase because it would leave  
a strip of land that would be of little or no value.  
Mr Lawrence then said he would as it was expected  
of him to make some compensation for continuing Prince  
Street he would purchase the remnant of land at  
one dollar and fifty cents per foot and give Three hun  
dred dollars as his part of the contribution, and  
he is now willing to fulfill that part of his  
promise, or he is willing to pay two dollars per  
foot for all of that strip of land left from the  
Pero estate and also to pay the same price for one  
half of the passage adjoining the piece of land. ad  
ded to is a triangle, and bounded on Prince Street  
about Seventy-seven feet, thence running south  
by eighteen feet eleven inches; thence east to be  
an irregular line to the point first mentioned.

56. containing in the whole about seven hundred & fifty five feet and as the sale of this land will benefit the City by bringing into the Market a considerable amount of valuable property, the committee recommend the sale of the land. Herein described to the 12<sup>th</sup> of June at two dollars per foot...

Charles Lighlon. Nathan Gurney, Committee.

Read & accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next 4  
O'clock: P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on the third day of March. Anno Domini 1834.

Present. The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen...

Loans

mode of raising

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Marshall, Williams and Sams with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider the expediency of establishing a uniform system of raising loans on behalf of the City, & for the management of the City debt, with leave to report by ordinance or otherwise. Came up for concurrence.



Read and concurred, and. Aldermen Greck and 57.  
Holmore were joined.

Petition of William Wright and Wright & Dams  
A. A. Dams to the Legislature, with the order of notice. Flats  
thereon to be incorporated for the purpose of filling up  
and improving the flats near the lower bridge to South  
Boston. Referred to. Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

The draft of a bill to set off Thompson's  
Thompson's Island from the town of Dorchester and Island  
annex the same to the City of Boston - which bill  
provides that the said Island, shall be exempted  
from taxation, so long as it shall continue to be appro-  
priated to the use of the Boston farm school or to  
any other public charity. Referred to. Alder-  
men Eliot and Holmore, with such as the Common  
Council may join, to consider and report. Sent  
down for concurrence. Came up concurred, & the  
Common Council joined. on its part, Messrs Oliver,  
Baker and Hobart.

Petition of H. G. Otis, and others. Otis  
praying that the street leading from State Street to Broadway  
Broadway South Boston, be hereafter called and known  
by the name of Broadway. Referred to. Aldermen  
Fales, Dunham & Eliot.

Ordered, that from and after the School hours  
during this order, no bills for retail or alterations

28. of any school house, or room occupied for a school, shall be allowed & paid by the City, unless such repairs or alterations shall have been authorized or directed by the Aldermen of the district in which the house or room shall be situated...

Wheelwright | Remonstrance of Lot Wheelwright &  
Bank top road others, against the petition of John Peters and others, to have Bank top road made a public street and highway and that the line of the same be altered. Referred to Aldermen Holmore and Greole...

Peters | The Committee on the petition of  
Bank top road John Peters and others, to have the line of Bank top road changed, reported, that an order of notice be issued to all persons interested, returnable on Monday next.  
(Read and accepted..)

Wheelwright | Petition of Lot Wheelwright and  
Pearl Street others, to have the easterly end of Pearl Street widened, as taken from the island referred to Aldermen Holmore and Greole...

Estates | Order of the Common Council  
on New Street appointing Messrs Williams, Eastman, Sherrill, Gray and Bartlett with such as the board of Aldermen might form a committee with full power, to purchase the whole or any part of any estate abutting on either of the contemplated new streets whenever in their opinion



opinion, it will be for the interest of the City so to do. 39.

Provided, that no slate shall be purchased, by virtue of the order, until the price agreed on, at any meeting of this committee, held for that purpose, shall be agreed to in writing, by at least three fourths of the committee... Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred & Aldermen Wolmore, Bates, Gurney and Beighton were joined.

Ordered that the Overseers of the Poor, House of Correction, & the Directors of the House of Industry, Correction & Reformation, be and they are, hereby severally authorized and empowered to receive from the several towns, such sums of money, as are now due or may hereafter become due, for the support of paupers belonging to them respectively. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The Committee to whom the petition of the proprietors of West Boston Bridge requesting that the City, would take & maintain a portion of said Bridge in consequence of the public travel passing over the same have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report; That they find that the travel to and from Cambridge to Charles Street passes over about two hundred feet of the easterly end of said Bridge and consequently subjects the proprietors to some additional expense in keeping the same in repair; but as an offset for that, the same portion of the Bridge is released from all the travel over said Bridge, which passes on or off at Charles Street, and

West Boston  
Bridge

C. and the proprietors are also released from supporting  
about four hundred feet which has been filled up  
which the City now support; your Committee are of  
opinion that the City are under no obligations to support  
that part of the Bridge now raised for - all which is  
respectfully submitted - Subj. Read - to W. Mac  
Charles Brighton. Read and accepted.

Sullivan

The Committee to whom was referred  
the petition of John W. Sullivan for the use of a room in  
the Latin School house for a Sunday School, have agreed  
to report, that it is not expedient to grant the prayer  
of the petition. For reasons attentively considered,  
and now well understood, the board have for some  
time, not thought it advisable to grant the use of rooms  
in the public school houses for the purpose mentioned  
in the petition; that the Committee are not aware at  
this time of any reason that should except this petition  
from the operation of that general rule. For the Com-  
mittee

Theodore Lyman Jr.

Read and accepted.

Ewer.

The Committee on the petition of Mr.  
G. W. Ewer, to be relieved from the payment of rent of  
wharf on Mill Creek, reported and order authorizing the  
City Treasurer to receive of them, the sum of thirty three  
dollars and thirty eight cents in full for rent due from  
them to the City. Read, accepted and the order passed.



Petition of Franklin Smith, for leave Cl.  
to erect two bakers ovens in his building on Houckin Street. Smith  
Referred to the Committee on the Fire department.

The Committee on the petition of the House of  
Directors of the Court of Reg. & Justice last on a piece of Reg. & Justice  
land for that institution, reported, that the prayer of  
said petition be granted, and that the fences be erected  
under the direction of said Directors.

Read & accepted.

Petition of Jon<sup>r</sup> Cary, to be allowed Cary  
the expense of removing the chimneys of a building, taken Commercial  
to extend Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Street  
Leighton & Gurney.

Petition of Ephraim Marsh, to have Marsh  
a pump put in order No 117 & 119 Broad Street. Referred  
to Aldermen Holmes and Grove.

The Committee on the petition of Mr. Lane  
No. Lane to be paid for fence on public land from Lane Broad Street  
taken to extend Broad Street, reported, that the petiti-  
oner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Read & accepted.

The Committee on the petition of the  
the petition of Lemuel Pope and Sarah Coburn, for  
land taken from them to widen Derne Street. Reported  
the

62. The following Order ordered, that two hundred dollars more be allowed to Lemuel Pope in addition to the sum of Four hundred dollars heretofore granted him on that date, to be taken to wit in Drue Street, to be in full of all demands. For the Committee.

Samuel Fales.

Read and passed.

Report of  
Committee on  
the most efficient  
action towards  
the constitution, mode  
of election and powers of  
members of the School Committee, ask leave to Report that  
Committee have as far as was in their power, given the subject  
committed to them, the consideration which its great im-  
portance demands. And they have come to the conclu-  
sion that some alteration in the constitution, mode  
of election, and powers of the School Committee is ne-  
cessary for the interest of the Schools. They are of opinion  
that the present system is defective, in that the board  
of Aldermen are ex officio members of the Committee.  
The duties of that board have already become ex-  
tremely onerous, and will be continually increasing  
hereafter, so much so that the board may now be  
considered in a great degree as merely nominal  
members of the Committee; a proper attention to their  
other duties, preventing their giving that time and  
consideration to the Schools which the good of the  
City so eminently demands. Add to which, so various  
and



and important are the other interests of the City considered (3.)  
to the Board that its members cannot be chosen with  
any peculiar reference to their qualifications as a School Com-  
mittee. Your Committee think that the present system  
is likewise defective because the members are chosen in wards  
and not at large. They also are of opinion that some  
provision ought to be made to define the power of the  
Committee in relation to expenditure of money for main-  
taining the schools and repair of School Houses, which  
does not now exist.

And they are also of opinion that some  
alteration in the present system is expedient, to prevent  
an evil which has frequently occurred, of a majority  
consisting of new members. Your Committee would  
therefore recommend that the School Committee shall  
hereafter consist of the Mayor of the City, who shall be,  
ex officio, Chairman of the Board, and of twenty  
individuals, to be chosen by the people at large, at  
the annual election of Municipal officers. That the  
Committee be chosen for two years, that, at the expira-  
tion of one year, one half (to be determined by lot)  
shall go out of office, and their places be supplied  
by the election of ten members for two years, & that  
ever after, one half of the Committee shall be elected  
annually to serve for two years. That the School Com-  
mittee shall have the care, superintendence and direc-  
tion of the Public Schools, shall elect the instruct-  
ers and remove them, as they may deem it expedient  
and shall fix and determine their salaries, shall  
judge of the expediency of increasing or diminishing the

the number or the location of erecting or restoring the  
School houses. — but the Committee shall not proceed  
to build, alter or repair any School house or adopt  
any other measures involving the expenditure of  
money other than is implied by determining the  
number of instructors and fixing their salaries  
without an appropriation for that purpose being  
first made by the City Council. — Nor shall the  
School Committee adopt at any time a system of  
instruction requiring a greater amount of salaries  
than has been expended the previous year without first  
submitting their views to the City Council, and obtaining  
its consent to an appropriation therefor.

And the Committee further recom-  
mend that the Act authorizing the foregoing altera-  
tions shall provide for its acceptance by the inhabi-  
tants, before it shall go into operation. — The reason  
for recommending the election of the Committee  
for two years and the number annually is the great  
inconvenience now felt from having a majority of new mem-  
bers yearly come into the board, ignorant of the cause of  
the adoption of certain measures by their predecessors  
and often ready to undo the labors of the preceding  
year. By the course proposed there will probably be  
at all times a majority of the board acquainted with  
the teachers and with the state of their respective  
schools and any plan for their improvement will be  
less likely to be defeated by sudden changes and new  
experiments. — By choosing the Committee at large,  
it



it is believed, the members will be elected, more, 65.  
with reference to their peculiar qualifications for  
the office, than if sectional or local considerations were  
to have great weight; and the liberty of meeting one  
or more from each ward still remains, where suitable  
persons may be found. In defining the powers of  
the Committee, it was thought that its members would  
naturally be the best judges of the wants of the City,  
and of the means of accommodation in the schools &  
consequently, that all petitions for new schools, or  
new school houses should first be made to that  
board, who if they deemed it expedient might apply  
to the City Council for an additional appropriation.  
And, by giving to the Committee power to select the  
instructors and determine their salaries, (provided  
the whole account does not exceed the appropria-  
tion of the preceding year) there will be sufficient  
guard against any sudden derangement of the  
system of instruction by a withholding of the usual  
appropriation, and also a check against a greater  
expenditure, than was intended by the Council.

This principal is likewise considered important be-  
cause a single instance of curtailing the appropriation  
by the City Council, might cause a derangement in  
the schools, which it would require much time to  
remedy; and should at any time, circumstance, ren-  
der the salaries to be given greater than the expe-  
nces of the case may require, the Committee must  
be considered as competent judges, and be safely  
trusted

C.C. trusted with the power or reviving them. It was considered important, in the last place, that the Mayor should be a member of the Committee, not only to enable him, as the head of the City Government to watch over these institutions so invaluable to the community, but also by connecting the Committee in some degree with the City Council, to regulate the appropriation of the Public money for the schools. Somewhat in reference to the amount necessary to be appropriated for other purposes. In accordance with the foregoing views, the Committee directed me to offer the following order... for the Committee.

Thomas Holmoe.

Chairman.

Read & accepted and thereupon

Ordered, That the City Solicitor be requested to draft (A) an act in accordance with the principles stated in the foregoing report, to be submitted to the Legislature, and that the Senators and Representatives of the City be requested to promote its passage during the present session of the General Court. The above report was read and accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with an amendment, to wit. At. "to insert the words 'and report for the consideration of the Council'" Came up for concurrence

Read & concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock P. M.



At a special meeting of the board of  
Aldermen, held at City Hall, on Tuesday March fourth.  
Anno Domini 1834.

Present... The Mayor Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore,  
Kates, Dunham Gurnoy and Smith

The Auditor of accounts made his Auditor of  
annual estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised, for the expenditure of the ensuing financial annual  
year, which commences on the first day of May next estimate,  
and the estimates of appropriations under the various  
heads. And the ways and means to meet the same,  
and recommending a tax of three hundred and seven  
thousand dollars. Read and with the several  
documents accompanying the same, referred to the  
joint committee on appropriations, to consider & report.  
Sent down for concurrence. Same up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 O'Clock.  
P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday  
the tenth day of March. Anno Domini 1834.

Present... The Mayor and the whole board of  
Aldermen...

Agreeably to notice, several persons in Bank top  
travesties were heard before the board, for inducing road.  
altering

48. altering the line of Bank top road, thereupon,  
Ordered, that the Committee of the district be au-  
thorized to alter the line of Bank top road; provided  
it can be done without expense to the City and  
that an arrangement can be made with the parties  
interested.

Fire Law

Ordered, that the Committee on the fire  
department be instructed to enquire into the provis-  
ions of the law regulating the distribution of money  
received in account of violations of the fire law.

Quarantine  
of Vessels

Order of the Common Council appoint-  
ing Messrs. Fine, Gould & Gray, with such as the board  
of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider the  
expediency of making any alteration in the sixth section  
of the ordinance, entitled "An ordinance, establishing  
and regulating the quarantine of vessels" passed August  
1833. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred  
and the Mayor & Alderman Wetmore were joined.

Loans

The committee on the subject of establish-  
ing a uniform system of raising loans in behalf of the  
City, reported. An ordinance concerning the public  
loans and reduction of the City debt; which was read  
and passed. Sent down for concurrence,  
Came up concurred.

Vinal

The Committee to whom was referred  
the Order of notice of Nathaniel Vinal and others,  
for



for the extension of their wharf ask leave to report, &c.  
that they have examined the premises and made  
proper enquiry respecting the same and find the will  
not suffer any damage by the extension of said wharf  
and that it is not expedient for the City to take  
any further order on the subject. In the Committee

Charles Leighton

Sent down for concurrence. Leame up concurred.

The Committee to whom was Smith  
referred the petition of Franklin Smith for leave to  
erect two bakers ovens in a building on Hawkins  
street. reported that leave be granted.

Read and accepted.

The report of the Committee Milton  
on the Petition of Ephraim Milton, and others, pray-  
ing, that the passage way leading from Ann street,  
opposite the head of Union wharf, may be continued  
to Commercial street. that the prayer of said petition  
ought to be granted. Read, accepted, & thereupon  
Resolved, that the public safety and convenience  
require, that the passage way opposite the head of  
Union wharf leading from Ann street, to Com-  
mercial street, be continued of its present width  
to Commercial street, and the same is laid out as  
a public street and highway accordingly.

Petition of Thomas Patten & others Patten  
that

70. that the building near Bromfield Street Church  
be prohibited being used as a stable. - Referred to  
Aldermen Fales & Eliot.

Time Street

The committee appointed to carry in  
to effect an order of the last City Council to widen  
Time Street. Reported the following order.  
Ordered, that a further sum of Twenty five dollars  
be allowed to Jonathan Parker to remunerate him,  
for removing the old building from his land on Time  
Street as soon as the same is completed. - Read, accepted  
and the order passed.

Auctioneer.  
licensed.

Alfred H. Upham licensed as an  
Auctioneer, 84 Water Street upon given bonds.

Waxter

Memorial of Daniel Waxter, respecting  
his house and land taken to make a street over the  
Mill Creek. - Referred to Aldermen Lighton and  
Gurney.

Warry

Order of the Common Council com-  
mittees the memorial of William Warry, respecting his  
demand against the City, for damage in being obliged to  
remove his hat store from City Hall to Messrs Shaw,  
A. Lewis & Oliver, with such as the board of Aldermen  
might join, to consider and report. - Came up for con-  
currence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen  
Ellis and Wetmore were joined.



Complaint of the City Marshal re. 71.  
specifying a defective chimney in a house on Salem Street. City Marshal  
Referred to the Committee on the fire department... defective chimney

Petition of Joel Powers, a member of the fire department for relief; he being injured at  
a fire on the 28<sup>th</sup> of September last. Referred to the  
Committee on the fire department.

The Committee on the petition of John  
Parkin Snow & Son, for damage in laying out the Broad  
Street in continuation of Broad Street reported that  
there be paid to the petitioners, fifty dollars in full  
for all damages mentioned in their petition.  
Read & accepted.

Ordered, that the memorial of Primary,  
the Primary School Committee concerning the building a school house in district No. 3. and the several  
documents accompanying the same be taken from the  
files and referred to Aldermen Holmcre & Elliot, with  
such as the Common Council may join to consider and  
report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,  
and the Common Council joined on its part  
Messrs Hobart, Chepman and McLellan.

The Committee to whom was referred Prescott  
the account of Edward G. Prescott, for rent of a room  
used by the City in the year 1837, reported that his rent  
of fifty dollars be allowed... Read and accepted.

iron  
used  
The Committee appointed to provide  
iron safes for the keeping of the public documents, reported  
that had purchased two, and are placed in the  
City Hall, one in charge of the City Clerk and the  
other in the Auditor's office. Read & accepted.

Abraham  
Ann Street  
The Committee to whom was referred  
the petition of Benjamin Abraham for remunera-  
tion of the damage sustained by him in consequence  
of the widening of Ann Street, Report, that they find  
said Abraham has sustained damage on two of his  
buildings to the amount of one hundred & fifty dollars  
and the City land which he held by lease amounting  
to about one tenth of his whole premises the lease hav-  
ing three years and four months to run at the time  
the City took possession of the same, they therefore  
ask leave to offer the following Order. For the  
Committee Charles Lighton

Read & accepted & thereupon

Ordered, that there be paid to Benjamin Abraham  
five hundred dollars in full for damages sustained  
by him in widening Ann Street, now called commer-  
cial street.

Guild  
Washington  
Street  
The Committee on the petition of Ben-  
jamin Guild, to be paid for land taken to widen Wash-  
ington Street. Report that there be paid to Benjamin  
Guild three hundred & twenty six dollars for land taken  
to widen Washington Street by an order of this board.  
of



December 16<sup>th</sup> 1833. By giving a sufficient deed, thereof J. B.  
For the Committee.

Thomas Holmore.

Read & accepted

The Committee to whom was referred the application of Noah Lincoln, for remuneration for his land and other damages sustained by him in consequence of the laying out of Commercial Street, Report that the line & location of Commercial Street has been given by Stephen P. Fuller, Esquire.

For the Committee.

Charles Leighton.

Read and accepted.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Hunting, for indemnity for an injury sustained by his wife, in consequence of the upsetting of his sleigh in passing over a reservoir in Broad Street, have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report, that from the best evidence the Committee can obtain part of which is herewith transmitted; the said Hunting with his wife in passing over a reservoir in Broad Street, were upsett, in a sleigh, by means of an iron shank on the top of the reservoir having become loose and his wife received serious injury, and although there may not have been any blame or negligence on the part of the City, or its officers, the Committee are of the opinion that some compensation should be made, they therefore ask leave

74. to offer the following order. - Taber Ellis for the Committee. Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered. That there be allowed and paid to Joseph Hunting, two Hundred dollars as full indemnity for an injury sustained by his wife by the upsetting of a sleigh in passing over a reservoir in Broad Street.

Lincoln  
Commercial  
Street

The Committee to whom was referred the application of Noah Lincoln, for remuneration for his land, and other damages sustained by him in consequence of the laying out of Commercial Street, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to submit the following - Report That the City have taken of said Lincoln, Eleven hundred and ninety three feet of land; and your Committee have estimated the value of the same at Two dollars per foot, amounting to Twenty three hundred & Eighty six dollars. Also the value of a building cut off, at one hundred dollars; also for removing the materials from the cellar and other parts of the premises so taken at Fifty four dollars ninety two cents making an aggregate of Twenty five hundred & forty dollars & ninety two cents. The Committee therefore recommend to the Board to adopt the following order which is respectfully submitted. Read and accepted & thereupon Ordered, that there be paid to the said Noah Lincoln the sum of two thousand five hundred & forty dollars ninety two cents on his executing a good & sufficient deed of said premises to said City which is to be in full of all demands.



The Auditor of accounts exhibit of the 75<sup>th</sup>  
present state of the appropriations, granted by the Auditor  
City Council, for the service of the current financial annual  
year, and the following orders passed the Common Council  
Council, by a unanimous vote, viz. Ordered, that,  
to meet the balance of the foregoing additional approp-  
riations, the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, au-  
thorized to borrow, under direction of the Committee  
of Finance, a sum of money, not exceeding twelve thou-  
sand dollars, for such term of time as the said Committee  
may deem advisable. —

Ordered, that the City Treasurer be, and  
he is hereby, authorized to borrow under direction  
of the Committee of Finance a sum of money, not exceed-  
ing thirty seven thousand dollars, for such time as said  
Committee may direct, to be applied to the expenses of  
opening certain streets laid out by an Order of the  
Board. Aldermen passed October 15<sup>th</sup> 1833., came  
up for concurrence; and on the question of passing  
said orders in concurrence, the yeas and nays being  
taken agreeable to the joint rule of the City Coun-  
cil, were as follows viz. yeas. Aldermen Eli, Hol-  
more, Fales, Leighton, Dunham, Gurney, Eliot and  
Greele. Eight. So the same passed in concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next, 2 O'Clock.

76.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday  
March 17<sup>th</sup> 1834.

Present - The Mayor, and the whole board of  
Aldermen, except Alderman Bates.

Woulston

School house

Ordered, that the third room in  
the Woulston School house be fitted up for the re-  
ception of pupils. Also one of the lobbies in said  
house, for a recitation room, to be done under the di-  
rection of the committee of the district of the board  
of Aldermen. - Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Faneuil Hall

Market house

Ordered, that the committee on the  
Market be instructed to take out the lower sash  
of the cellar windows of Faneuil Hall Market  
house, & fill them up with stone & bricks in imitation  
of that under the Clerks office.

Rogers and

Titusdon

Petition of Henry B. Rogers and  
William Titusdon, for remuneration of the expenses  
Perne Street have sustained in removing steps from their  
houses to widen Perne Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Bates & Eliot.

Winthrop

Deacons Street

Ordered, that the petition of Thom-  
as Winthrop & James Bowdoin, to be paid for land  
taken to widen Bowdoin Street, in the year 1822, be taken  
from the files referred to, Aldermen Bates & Eliot.



Petition of Nevers & French to be JJ.

paid the damage which they sustained, in being obliged to remove from a building, taken to make Broad St. the street in continuation of Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore & Greel.

The Committee to whom was referred Wright & the Petition of Wright & Dame, to the Legislature to have be incorporated as proprietors of flats near South Boston free bridge, reported, that it is unnecessary to take any measures in relation to the subject.

Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Petition of Holbrook Charles Holbrook, and others, to open a common sewer in Merrimac Street, reported an order of notice returnable next Monday. Read & accepted.

Petition of Jonathan P. Hall & Hall others, to have Elm Street widened. Referred to Elm Street Aldermen Wetmore & Greel.

Petition of William C. Jenkins Jenkins and others, to have an alarm bell erected at South Alarm bell Boston, to be rung on the alarm of fire. Referred to the Committee on the fire department.

The Committee on the complaint Defective of the City Marshal, respecting a defective chimney Chimney in

78. in a house on Salem street, reported that the same is in a very delapidated state & ought to be removed.  
Read & accepted.

Hospital  
Rainsford  
Island.

Ordered that the Senators of the County of Suffolk, and the Representatives for the City of Boston, be requested to use their best efforts for the passage of a resolve, by the Legislature of this State, allowing five thousand dollars in addition to what has been heretofore allowed for the erection of the Hospital on Rainsford Island...

Lewis

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Winslow Lewis & others, with instructions to apply to the Legislature for an act in relation to the same; Reported, that they had attended to the same, and that the Law therein annexed has been passed... Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that the petition of said Lewis and others to extend Front Street be referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham, to consider and report...

Barry

The Committee on the petition of William Barry reported, that he have leave to withdraw his petition... Read and accepted... Sent down for concurrence. - nonconcurrent by Common Council.

Dickson  
William & others  
street.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of James A. Dickson, of his intention



intention of making an alteration in his estate 79.  
at the corner of Williams and Federal Streets.  
Report. That public safety and convenience re-  
quire that Federal Street should be widened by  
taking part of the said estate belonging to Mr  
Dickson and that the line of said estate ought  
to be set back provided it can be done without  
much expense to the City; and they therefore sub-  
mit the following order. - For the Committee,  
Thomas Helmer. Read accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, That so much of the house and adjoining  
land belonging to James A. Dickson, at the corner  
of Federal and Williams Streets be taken to widen  
Federal Street, as will be sufficient to make the  
line of said estate conform to the line of said street  
on each side of said estate, provided it can be done  
at an expense to the City of not more than seventy  
five dollars; and provided that the said Dickson  
give a sufficient deed thereof.

The Committee on the fire department Powers  
to whom was referred the petition of Joel Powers, fire department,  
praying for compensation on account of expense  
incurred from injury received while in the service  
of the City as an Engine man have now agree to the  
Report. That it appears that said Powers was an  
active and valuable member of the department  
that he received the injury to the degree and in  
the manner as stated in his petition. - That the  
injury

80. injury must be considered severe inasmuch as he is made a cripple by it for life and to some degree disabled for active employment... And in the last place that the expenses amounting to Eighty two dollars and fifty cents he incurred in consequence of this injury, are correctly stated...

Under ordinary circumstances, the Committee would not have regarded the said petitioner as entitled to relief, provision being made for injuries and accidents that may happen to members of the department by the establishment of the Charitable Fire Association and to which the City annually contributes five hundred dollars. The said petitioner had not joined this association, rather however, as the Committee believe from inadvertence than from that degree of negligence which would have deprived him of the right to apply for relief except in case of extreme hardship. But the Committee considering his case to be one of the latter description, and having been made well acquainted with his uniform good conduct and character while in the department, now recommend that the said petitioner be allowed one half the amount of his bills and expenses, though they are fully impressed with the propriety and necessity of refusing all relief whatever... In this purpose they refer the subjoined order. For the Committee Theodore Roman Jr. Read accepted and Ordered, that there be paid to Joel Powers a member of the fire department, attached to Engine No 20, the



the sum of forty one dollars and twenty five cents, 81.  
in full for the injury which he sustained while in  
discharge of his duty, at a fire on the evening of the  
28<sup>th</sup> September 1833, to be charged to the appropria-  
tion of the fire department.

The Committee on the Petition of Elisha Cummings  
Cummings to hire a piece of land adjoining ward  
room No 3. Report that the lot of land next to  
the Gun house on Cooper street be leased for three  
years to Elisha Cummings, he paying Forty dollars  
per year for the same. — For the Com<sup>rs</sup> C. L. Leighton.  
Read & accepted.

The Committee appointed to inquire Gas  
into the practicability and expediency of lighting  
the streets, or any part of them, with gas instead of  
oil, having attended to the subject, ask leave to sub-  
mit the following Report: The defects of the pres-  
ent mode of lighting the City arise from several causes.  
It is not merely that the lamps used afford a  
poor light, but that they are very ill distributed,  
crowded together in some places, and separated  
much too far in others; while their usual position,  
within two or three feet of the walls of the houses  
to which they are attached, very often prevents  
their light from extending in more than one direc-  
tion; a projecting corner, or a slight curve in the  
street, entirely obscuring it in the opposite direction.  
So

32. To these evils are to be added those arising from the great difference existing, at different times, in the quality of the oil used and those still more serious ones caused by leaving so much as has heretofore been the case, to the discretion of the persons having the care of the lamps. Thus it is not unusual to see the lamps in one district burning some time before the approach of such a degree of darkness as to render them useless; while in another, the passenger requires their aid long before their feeble glimmer appears. Then the quantity of oil necessary to burn a given time must, of course, be determined by the lamp lighter, who must also apportion the height of his wick to the oil allowed and the time required; a calculation of rather more nicety than most of them have skill to make. The consequence is the most annoying diversity in different streets; and as the lamp lighters are, in general, by no means disposed to waste the oil in the service of the City, the lamps are commonly seen expiring long before the citizens have ceased to need their light. These causes, combined with the necessity felt by the government, of as much economy as could be used in this very extensive mode of lighting the City, has so curtailed the quantity of artificial light used here, as to give us the very unenviable reputation of being the worst lighted City on the continent. It would be well if this were the only or the worst consequence of the present system of lighting the streets. But it is well known that there are numerous and  
not



not small classes of our citizens, whose avocations re- 83.  
quire them to be much abroad in that part of the night,  
when economy has been thought to demand that the  
streets should be left in total darkness. The incon-  
venience and real danger to which such persons are  
exposed ought not to be neglected; and when, in addition,  
it is considered that the lives of all who are called to  
enter or depart from the City, during this nightly period  
of total eclipse, are exposed to imminent risk, it seems  
that some important changes in the mode of lighting the  
streets are imperiously required for the safety of the in-  
habitants of this metropolis. At all events, the evils  
which have been enumerated, are of sufficient magni-  
tude to make it extremely desirable to provide a rem-  
edy for them, if possible. In the opinion of the Com-  
mittee, lighting by gas, instead of oil, would immedi-  
ately remove some of the principal difficulties which  
have been referred to; and a few easily practicable  
regulations in connexion with that mode of lighting,  
would remedy most if not all of the remainder.  
Thus, gas would supply a stronger light; and all uncer-  
tainty as to the time during which it is to be used is  
easily avoided, as nothing need be left to the discre-  
tion of Lamp lighters. And although some expense  
may be necessary in introducing this light into the  
City, yet the annual amount saved would far ex-  
ceed the interest of such outlay; while the property  
acquired would maintain a great portion of its value,  
and would be worth nearly as much at the end of  
century

34. century, and at the moment it was purchased. It is manifest that the existing coils of insufficient and ill distributed light cannot be prevented under the present system of lighting, if system it may be called where no method is observed. If any cure is to be attempted, it must be by means of a plan radically different from the present one. Posts should be erected at regular intervals, and on the curb stones of the side walk, that the light may be as uniform, and as widely distributed as possible. This is highly desirable whether gas be introduced or not, and ought not strictly to be charged as a peculiar expense incident to that mode of lighting. As the use of gas, however, will render such posts necessary, they will be included in the estimate of the cost.

It appears by the twenty first annual report of the City expenditures published in August last that the expense of lighting the City the last year, exclusive of repairs, and of lighting Hancock State Market, was fifteen thousand three hundred eighty one dollars and sixty two cents, which being divided by the 1,363 lamps used, gives an average of \$11.282. The expense of attendance alone was \$5,680.06, or \$4.16  $\frac{3}{4}$  each lamp. The expense of oil alone was \$9,701.36, or \$7.11  $\frac{3}{4}$  for each lamp. It has been ascertained that for a sum equal to or less than this average amount of \$7.11  $\frac{3}{4}$ , gas can be obtained which will give as great a quantity of light as the present lamps, and as the trouble of lighting the burners and cleaning the lanterns will of course be



be greatly reduced by the use of gas, very nearly the whole. 85.  
cost of superintendence may be saved. But the kind  
of light emitted is so much superior that another and  
very material saving may be made in the number of  
lanterns. In the space from City Hall to the junction  
of Washington and Eliot streets, 1,070 yards, or 3,210 feet,  
there are, if the Committee have counted rightly, 44  
lamps besides one or two private gas lanterns, aver-  
aging a little more than one to 75 feet. It is believed  
that 26 gas lights of such size as can be obtained for an  
annual expense of \$7 each, would light that portion of  
Washington street far better than the present lamps.  
There would be a saving of 18 lamps at \$11.28 $\frac{1}{2}$  each, or \$203.13.  
If the same ratio were maintained between oil and gas  
lamps throughout the City, and it is believed it might  
safely be done, there would be a saving of more than 500  
lamps, or more than \$5,600 in annual expense, in this  
item alone. An additional saving might also proba-  
bly be made of half, or more than half the cost of atten-  
dance, say, \$3,000 - on account of the great diminution  
of trouble in cleaning and lighting the lamps. Thus  
a total amount of \$8,600 might probably be saved to  
the City, were it lighted in the manner suggested.  
The only offset against this important economy would  
be the first cost of suitable posts and lanterns. These  
can be obtained at the rate of about \$30 each, and  
as one thousand of them would probably supply  
the place of all the lamps of the City, the total cost  
would be \$30,000. This would again be considerably  
reduced

86. reduced by the proceeds of the old lanterns, which  
would be superseded, and which may be estimated  
as worth at least \$2 each, making for 1,400 lamps \$2,800.  
The interest on this sum, say \$27,000, at 5 per cent is  
\$1,350, leaving a net annual saving to the City of  
\$7,250. — Still, however, the consumption of gas in private  
dwellings shall prevail far more extensively than it  
does at present, the City cannot be lighted throughout,  
as there would be no sufficient inducement to the  
company to extend their pipes. — But economy is  
by no means the only ground of preferring the gas light  
to the oil lamp. The superiority of the light is gener-  
ally acknowledged, and would render its introduction  
desirable, were it more costly, on account of the addi-  
tional safety to persons and property which its use  
ensures. It is uniformly remarked, that the  
introduction of gas has diminished the number of offen-  
ces against the laws which seek the cover of darkness  
in every City where the experiment has been tried;  
and this fact alone would justify a considerable  
expenditure, on the part of the City, for the purpose  
of procuring such protection, in an economical man-  
ner. — But when, instead of costing more, it is found  
to be cheaper than the feebler light, no sufficient  
reason seems to remain against its introduction, as  
far as this is practicable. — These statements, though  
made after careful examination, may appear ex-  
traneous or visionary, and the Committee are far  
from being desirous of pressing the general introduction  
of



of so important a change, unless the opinion of the citizens should be equally general in its favor. 87. It would seem, however, that the above considerations form a ground upon which the experiment may be and ought to be tried. If an opportunity is offered to the City Government of adding to the safety and convenience of the citizens; and at the same time of diminishing their pecuniary burdens, they cannot neglect it without dereliction of duty; and while they are not bound to take assertions for facts, they are required to give to statements made on respectable authority, the trial of a full and fair experiment. . . . Nothing else can enable our citizens generally to form an opinion on the subject, and it is by public opinion that the trial must be decided. . . . With a view to such an experiment the Committee recommend that provision be made for the introduction of gas lights, in the course of the ensuing summer, wherever pipes of a sufficient size are now laid down by the incorporated Gas Company. . . . These pipes now extend through the whole or part of the following streets, viz. Charleston Union Washington, Hanover, Brattle, Court, State, Congress, Exchange, North, Ann, Bowdoin, Bromfield, and North Market Streets; in Dock Square, Merchants Row, and Wilson's Lane. The immediate expense of the alterations necessary to carry this plan into effect would amount as nearly as the Committee can now estimate it, to about \$3,500 for 115 or 120 lamp posts. They hope this sum will not be considered excessive.

38. exceptive in so important an object and recommend the adoption of the following order.

Ordered, that be a committee to be joined by the Common Council, to take effectual measures to light with Gas all those streets, squares, and lanes in which pipes of sufficient size are now laid by the Gas Company, and that they make a detailed report of their doings and expenditures under this order. For the Committee, Samuel A. Eliot.

Read & accepted and thereupon Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Eliot and Greble, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to carry the same into effect. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock P.M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday the eighteenth of March, Anno Domini 1834.  
Present. The Mayor, Aldermen, Wetmore, Leighton, Gurney, Eliot and Greble.

City Charter altered  
of respecting  
School Committee were reported by the City Solicitor, entitled, An act  
in



in further addition to an act entitled, "An act establishing the City of Boston". Passed the Common Council, with amendments. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred; and the following order passed in concurrence with the Common Council, vizt.:

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested to present the foregoing bill to the Legislature, and that the Senators of this County and the Representatives of the City, be requested to promote its passage, during the present session of the General Court.

Ordered, that upon a view of a defective chimney, belonging to a house owned by Josiah Robinson late of Boston, and now of Cohasset, Stable Keeper; and this board are of opinion that the safety of the City requires the same to be taken down and demolished, and that the owner of said chimney be served with a notice to take down the same within one week. In case of neglect the said defective chimney will be taken down by the Public authority.

Defective  
Chimney.

Adjourned to Monday next

4 o'clock P. M.

40.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fourth day of March. Anno Domini 1834.

Present... The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Gurney.

City Marshal.

An ordinance authorizing the election and prescribing the duties of City Marshal. Came up for concurrence... Read & concurred.

Auditor of

accounts... Order of the Common Council, directing that the statement of the Auditor of accounts of Correction, submitted to the Council, in relation to the expenses attending the alterations of the House of Correction at South Boston, be referred to the Committee to whom was committed on the 27 of February, last, the Memorial from the Directors of the House of Reformation.

Also that the order of the City Council passed October 8<sup>th</sup> 1833, proposing an inquiry into the expediency of selecting a suitable site on which to erect an edifice for the accommodation of the inmates of said House of Reformation, with instructions to report plans and estimates be taken from the files and referred to said Committee. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Superintendent

Pub. Lands.

An ordinance providing for the appointment of a Superintendent of public lands, passed in



in Common Council... Came up for concurrence. Read, Gt. and nonconcurred; And thereupon Ordered, that Aldermen Melmore, Leighton and Greele, be a committee to confer with such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Common Council, relative to the subject matter of difference between the two boards, in relation to the above ordinance... Sent down for concurrence... Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part: Mess<sup>rs</sup> Williams, Gray & Bartlett...

Order of the Common Council, appointing Lamps on Mr. Oliver Gould Hastings Patent and Williams Lighting them with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee with Gas. committee to consider and report of the committee in relation to lighting the street lamps with gas... Came up for concurrence: Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Eliot and Greele were joined.

It appearing to this board, that notice Holbrook has been given, agreeably to the order passed on Mon Merri- day last, on the petition of Charles Holbrook, and Street others, that a common sewer be laid in part of Merri- mac street... And now H. G. Otis, files a protest against being taxed for any part of the expense of the same, until he shall enter his particular drain into the same... Notham Glazier has leave to strike his name from said petition... And no other person appearing to object thereto... It is thereupon Ordered, that said common sewer be laid, and the expense thereof assessed.

Q2. *shall according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.*

*Paving of  
Streets*

*Ordered, that Aldermen Wetmore, Ellis and Fales, be a committee to consider and report rules and regulations to be adopted by this board in relation to the paving of streets.*

*Licenses  
rules respecting*

*Ordered that the Committee on licenses be instructed to prepare and report to this board, a uniform system of licensing Inn holders, and common victuallers to sell ardent spirits to be drunk on their premises.*

*Streets*

*Ordered, that Aldermen Eliot, Ellis and Leighton, be a committee to report to this board, what Streets, if any, are now used as common thorough fares and public highways, which have never been accepted by the City...*

*Engineers  
of fire  
department*

*The board of Engineers of the fire department recommend rules and regulations for the Engines, hose, hook and ladder and other fire apparatus, and the companies attached thereto. Referred to the committee on the fire department.*

*Hillman*

*Com. on  
Streets*

*Petition of George Hillman, to be remunerated the damage he has sustained in being obliged to remove from a building corner of Battery Street, which has been taken for the continuation of Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.*



Petition of John Higgins, to be removed 93.  
to a land taken to widen Anna Street. Referred to Higgins  
Aldermen Lighton and Gurney. Anna Street

Ordered, that a warrant be issued for a Ward. N<sup>o</sup> 10.  
meeting of the Inhabitants of Ward N<sup>o</sup> 10, on the second Tuesday of  
Wednesday in April next, at 12 o'clock M. for the purpose of  
choosing an overseer of the Poor of said ward in  
place of Samuel Sanger, Esquire, who resigns said office  
from and after the first Monday of said month. The  
Poll to be kept open until 3 o'clock P.M.

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Gray Esquire stating his intention of  
building on Hanover Street Report that it will be con-  
ducive to public safety and convenience to widen said  
Street by taking part of the estate belonging to said Gray  
and they therefore submit the following Order. For  
the Committee. Thomas Helmore. Read & accepted and  
Ordered, that the public safety and convenience re-  
quire that Hanover Street should be widened by tak-  
ing part of the estate belonging to John Gray Esquire  
bounded as follows: Beginning at the North east-  
erly corner of said Gray's house opposite the head of  
Elm Street; thence running North westerly to the line  
of said House, four feet eight inches; thence running  
South westerly to the line of said house, twenty four feet  
and ten inches; thence South easterly four feet eight  
inches to the South westerly corner of said house; thence  
Northeasterly

42. - northwesterly corner lot and lot inclose to the place of beginning, containing one hundred & eighteen square feet, according to a plan thereof made by S. T. Fuller dated March 1<sup>st</sup> 1826. And it is hereby ordered, that the piece of land be so described, be and is taken for a public Street.

Dickson

Ordered, that in addition to the sum granted to Samuel B. Dickson by this board on the 17<sup>th</sup> instant for a certain piece of land therein mentioned, there be allowed the further sum of thirty dollars for the consideration, and on the condition mentioned in said order, and on this further condition that said two sums be acquitted by said Dickson, within one month from the date hereof.

Silveston

Derne Street Silveston, to be remunerated the damage which he sustained in being obliged to remove his steps from his dwelling house for the purpose of widening Derne Street, ask leave to report the following order viz.

Ordered, that there be allowed to William Silveston, Esquire, the sum of Three hundred and eighty dollars in full for land taken to widen Derne Street in lieu of the sum granted him by vote of the Board of Aldermen, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 1834 to be in full of all demands.  
Samuel Fuller Samuel J. Eliot Committee.

Read and accepted.



The Committee to whom was referred 95.  
the petition of Henry B. Rogers as Guardian to Rogers  
Samuel & Elizabeth 75. and Mary E. Stude to be on Derne Street.  
incorporated. the damage which they sustained in being  
obliged to remove their shops from their house for the  
purpose of widening Derne Street, ask leave to submit  
the following order vizt.

Ordered, that there be allowed to Henry B. Rogers  
Guardian as above the sum of Six Hundred dollars for  
land taken to widen Derne Street to be in full of all  
demands. Saml. Felt. Samuel A. Eliot. Committee.

Read and accepted

Adjourned to Monday next 4  
o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on  
Monday the thirtieth day of March. Anno Domini  
1834...

Present... The Mayor, and the whole board of Al-  
dermen.

Order of the Common Council appointing City Marshal  
Messrs Martin, Oliver and Marett, a Committee on its  
part, to confer with such committee as might be appoi-  
nted on the part of the board of Aldermen in relation

QC. to the subject matter of difference between the two branches of the City government respecting the ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the Election and prescribing the duties of City Marshal". Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Wilmore, Sales and Troughton were appointed on the part of the board.

Shaw  
overell place. Petition of Robert C. Shaw, and others, to have the name of Overell place changed to Lyman place. Referred to Aldermen Sales and Elliot.

Poster  
Broad Street. Memorial of William Poster and Leonard Poster, respecting their land taken to extend Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wilmore & Greele.

Greenwood  
South Margin Street. Petition of John Greenwood for a lease of lot of land on South Margin Street. Referred to Aldermen Wilmore & Greele.

Holland  
Harvard Street. Thomas Holland gives notice of his intention of building on Harvard Street and praying liberty to fill up one end of the dock with solid earth extending about two hundred feet from Front Street, and that the common sewer may be extended through the street thence to be filled up. Referred to Aldermen Elliot & Parker.

Divine & Harrington  
Petition of Messrs Divine & Harrington for a license to exhibit their performances of Ventri-quistism and the scientific properties of heat. Referred to



to. Aldermen Ellis and Eliot.

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Col<sup>d</sup> R<sup>d</sup> Williams, Licensed A. S. Auctioneer, declines  
on giving bonds, as the Law directs.

The Committee on the fire department re-  
ported rules and regulations, for Engines, hose, hooks and  
Ladder companies and firemen. Read & accepted. Rules & regulations  
Engines &c.

The committee appointed to consider and  
report rules and regulations to be adopted by the board  
in relation to the paving of streets, reported, that a com-  
mittee of this board be appointed, to consist of one mem-  
ber from each district, to whom shall be referred, all  
petitions for the paving of any street, and the subject  
of paving generally, and hereafter no street shall be  
paved, without a report to that effect, by said com-  
mittee. Read, accepted, and. Aldermen Holmore,  
Cotton, and others were appointed to prepare  
of the same.

Paving streets  
Rules &c.

Ordered, that the committees of the sev-  
eral districts, be instructed to report to this board,  
as soon as possible what paving will be required in  
their several districts, the present year.

Paving

Ordered, that the committee of the South Wobleson  
district, be instructed to remove all the buildings  
from Wobleson street, which are within the lines of said  
street, as widened & laid out the last year.

Streets

93.  
Crator  
4th July.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Gurney, Bates and Dunham, be a committee, to consider and report upon an order passed July 2. 1835. which order is in the words following. Ordered, that the Mayor and Aldermen be requested to appoint a suitable gentleman to deliver an oration on the next anniversary of American Independence; wherein shall be considered the manners, feelings & principles which led to that auspicious event.

Cotton  
Friend Street

The Committee on the petition of Nathaniel Cotton and others, to have a common sewer laid in Friend Street, have at a public meeting reported that an order of notice be issued, returnable on Monday next, at 10 o'clock A.M. in the usual form. Read & accepted.

Brewer  
Licenses

Petition of Stephen Brewer, and 1022 others, praying, that no licenses be granted to any persons as victuallers. Read & committed to the Committee on licenses.

Licenses  
rule on  
granting

The Committee who were directed to consider and offer to the Board, a uniform system, by which the granting of licenses to Innholders, Victuallers and Retailers shall be regulated, made a report together with the following resolution.

Resolved, that during the present year no license shall be granted to an alien as an Innholder or Retailer or Common Victualler; Nor to a person convicted of a breach of the License Laws, or of the laws in relation to Gaming;



Not to a person convicted of keeping a disorderly house, &c.  
Nor unless the person applying exhibit competent recommendations... Nor without reserving to the board a right to revoke the same; Nor in any obscure or unusually retired place, or where from any cause the character of the house will not be exposed to the observation of the Police of the City... Read, accepted and ordered, the same be published in the newspapers, which print the ordinances of the City.

Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis, Gurney, Crutcher and Elliot be a standing committee or granting licenses to Innholders &c and that said committee be instructed to visit every place, and examine every applicant applying for the same and that all applications be referred to said Committee.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Higgins praying remuneration for land taken by said City to widen Ann Street, have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report, That the said John Higgins owns a small estate in Ann Street containing in all about three hundred fifty feet, that the City have taken one hundred & three feet to widen said street prospectively, and that the committee propose to allow him two dollars per foot for said land and all damages sustained by him in widening said street amounting in the whole to Two hundred and six dollars, and therefore recommend the board to

100. to pass the following order. - which is submitted,  
Nathan Gurney for the Committee Read accept thereupon  
Ordered, that there be paid to the said John Higgins  
by the City Treasurer the sum of two hundred and six  
dollars in full of all demands for damages to him sus-  
tained for lands taken by said City.

Adjourned to Monday next 4.  
O'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on  
Monday the seventh day of April Anno Domini  
1834...

Present...

The Mayor and the whole Board of Aldermen.

African  
School

The Mayor's message respecting the  
erecting of a new School house for the use of the children  
of People of Colour, as recommended by the School com-  
mittee... Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Greble, with  
such as the Common Council may join, to consider and  
report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred  
and the Common Council joined on its part the  
Committee



Committee of Finance.

101.

The Mayor's message respecting making certain repairs & alterations in the Hawes School-house at South Boston, as recommended by the School committee. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part the Committee on public instruction.

The committee of conference, reported, that this board ought to adhere to its vote of non-concurrence, with the Common Council in the passage of the ordinance, relating to the appointment and duties of the City Marshal... Accepted, and this board does adhere accordingly.

City Marshal.

An ordinance in addition to an ordinance to regulate the interment of the dead. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with an amendment. Read and concurred.

Dead interment  
of.

The committee of conference on the public part of this board, reported, that the board, ought to adhere to its vote of non-concurrence with the Common Council, in the passage of the ordinance in relation to the public lands. Read, accepted, and the ordinance to provide for the care and management of the public lands, passed as taken into a new draft. Sent down

Land.

102. for concurrence... Came up concurred...

Creek  
Street

Ordered, that the committee of the Northern district be authorized and instructed to cause to be cleared away from Creek street, all buildings and other obstructions, agreeably to the plan of said street, taken by S. P. Fuller, and as laid out by the last board of Aldermen.

Hall  
Front Street

Ordered that the petition of James Hall, and others, for the continuation of Front Street, be taken from the files, and referred to Aldermen Ellis and Cushman, to consider and report.

Allen  
Licenses

Petition of William V. Allen and 2360 others praying, that no victuallers licenses be granted. Also the petition of Henry Godman and 35 others, to the same effect. Read and referred to the committee on licenses.

Goddard  
Commercial  
Street

Petition of Nathaniel Goddard to be paid the expense and damage in cutting off a building for the purpose of extending Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Brighton & Curney.

Godman  
Washington  
Street

Petition of Henry Godman, to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street near west Street. Referred to Aldermen Bates & Eliot.

Grew

Petition of Henry Grew for leave to occupy Ward room of Ward. 14 on Sundays for public worship.  
Referred



Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham...

103.

The City Treasurer and Auditor of accounts, Thomas Maltby, having certified that a vote of Theodore C. Allen to the City for two hundred and twenty five dollars, the payment of which was secured by mortgage to the City, recorded in the Registry of deeds, Libro 365 folio 38. has been fully paid. Thereupon Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge the same.

The City Solicitor's communication respecting the decision of an action of Charles Hall vs John T. Williams, upon the conveyance of certain real estate sold by the City of Boston, with warranty, the same having been decided in favor of the demandant. Read and referred to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.

Communication of the City Solicitor Winimmett that the case of the City of Winimmett ferry, to quash ferry, to the proceedings of the board of Aldermen, granting a license for a ferry to Noddles Island, has been decided in favor of the proceedings of said board. Read and filed.

It having been represented to this board, that Henry Wright, of Boston, townsmen, was by excessive drinking & idleness, so waste and squander his estate, as thereby to expose himself and family to want and suffering circumstances, and the City to a charge for their support & maintenance. Whereupon after the examination of divers credible witnesses under oath, the board are

Wright

Open & thrust

104. are of opinion, that the allegations aforesaid are true, and a complaint was made out and signed by the Mayor and Aldermen addressed to the Judge of probate, praying that a guardian may be appointed to the said Henry according to law.

Cotton  
Friend Street  
It appearing to this board that notice has been given on the petition of Nathaniel Cotton and others that a common sewer may be made in Friend Street... And now several persons appear & object to the same, and after a hearing, it was ordered that the said petition be laid upon the table.

Bacon  
Tombs  
The Committee on the petition of Jacob Bacon to be paid for certain tombs which he built some years since in the South burying ground, ask leave to report the following Order vizt:  
Ordered, that the sum of twenty one hundred and sixty dollars be allowed to Jacob Bacon for erecting Twelve Tombs in the South burying ground, on his giving a receipt in full of all demands for the same. Samuel Allen, John Dunham, Samuel Greck, Committee.  
Read and not accepted.

Gas  
The Joint committee on the subject of Gas have considered that matter, and have now agreed to the following Report. That it is advisable and expedient that measures should be taken to light the City with Gas as far, as on a further examination, shall



shall be deemed judicious and practicable, but inas- 105.  
much as inconvenience and discomfort have occasion-  
ally been felt and suffered in other cities in conse-  
quence of the use of bad material, or of negligence in  
making the Gas, or of inattention in the mode of distribu-  
ting it; The Committee are of opinion that a right  
should be reserved to the City Council to discontinue  
the same when under certain circumstances it shall  
be considered and declared a nuisance.... The Committee  
therefore recommend for the consideration of the City  
Council the Resolution, that follows:— That a joint  
committee be now appointed with full powers to enter  
into contracts to light the City with Gas and with in-  
structions to insert such conditions in said contracts  
for the purpose of obtaining and securing a supply of Gas  
free from smells and other impurities as said Committee  
shall deem proper and sufficient for the comfort and con-  
venience of the Citizens. For the Committee Theodore  
Lyman, Jr. Read, accepted, and thereupon ordered  
that the Mayor, Aldermen Eliot and Gurney, with  
such as the Common Council may join, be a committee  
to carry the same into effect... Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined  
on its part Messrs Oliver, Gould, Hastings, Peabody, and  
Williams.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock

P. M.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Moffat  
Licenses.

Petition of Joseph L. Moffat and forty nine others, praying, that no victuallers licenses be granted. Referred to the committee on licenses.

Hall  
Front Street

Alderman Sales was appointed on the petition of James Hall and others, for the extension of Front Street, instead of Alderman Ellis who was excused at his own request.

Public lands  
Committee on  
Sale of

Order of the Common Council appoint in Messrs. Marrett, Eustis and Gray, with such as the board of Aldermen might join a standing committee in pursuance of an ordinance to provide for the care and management of the public lands. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Sales and Leighton were joined.

Roath  
Church Street

Petition of Charles Roath to hire a piece of land in Church Street. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Kidder  
Commercial  
Street

Petition of Betsey Kidder, to be paid for a piece of land located on Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.



Petition of Isaac D. Vose, for remuneration of the damage to his house & chair falling in to a cellar, Creek Street. Referred to. Aldermen Joseph Don & Gurney... 107. Vose

Petition of Brooks Bowman for remuneration of the damage to his house falling through South Boston Bridge. Referred to. Aldermen Ellis & Dunham. Bowman

Petition of Calvin Page, and others, to dig a well in Gooch Street. Referred to. Aldermen Wetmore and Gracie. Page. Gooch Street.

Alderman Curtis was added to the committee on the petition of Thomas Hobland, instead of Alderman Ellis who was excused at his own request, & said committee were instructed to lay out Harvard Street from the easterly side of Front Street to sea Street, forthwith and report to this board. Hobland. Harvard Street.

Order of the Common Council directing the several petitions, memorials and other papers in relation to the improvement of buildings for the use of the primary schools be taken from the files of the City Council and referred to the committee on public instructions with such as the board of Aldermen might join, and the said committee were instructed to confer with the primary School committee upon the subjects referred to in the said papers, and report to (it) this board, as soon as might be, their views upon the expediency of the Primary Schools. the

108. the City Council authorizing an appropriation towards effecting the said objects during the present year.

Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, with an amendment, at 1.15 strike out "this board" and insert "the City Council," and Aldermen Greck, Eliot & Gurney were joined... Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Milk street

Causeway street

The committee on paving reported the following order, which was read and passed viz<sup>t</sup>.

Ordered, that Milk street be repaved, from the estate of Mr. Hill, between Pearl and Alkinson streets to India street; and that two rows of flagging stones be laid in Causeway street from Fairhill street to Prince street, and that the gutter in Causeway street be paved, and that the same be done under the direction of the Committees of the respective districts.

Shaw

Lyman place

The Committee on the petition of Robert G. Shaw and others, to have the name of Smith place changed to Lyman place, reported, that the prayer thereof be granted. Read and accepted.

Engine men

Act concerning

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Huntington, Prescott and McMillan, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider and report upon the expediency of adopting the act, entitled "an act concerning the appointment of Engine men &c, and such other matters relating to said act as they may



in due order... came up for concurrence. 109.  
concurrent and Aldermen Holmore and Leighton were  
joined.

Ordered, that a communication from Dan<sup>l</sup> Baxter.  
Baxter and John D. Williams, respecting a price, that  
said Baxter is willing to take for his estate, at the corner  
of Crank Street and Hancock Street and in the custody  
of the Auditor of accounts, be returned to said Baxter,  
upon leaving a copy of the same.

The Committee on the petition of Sept<sup>r</sup> Shaw, Shaw  
and others, that a common sewer be laid in Pinckney, Pinckney  
Street... Reported, that an order of notice be issued, return-  
able on Monday next, 4 O'clock P.M. in the usual form.  
Read and accepted.

Ordered, that a warrant be issued for a gen<sup>l</sup> Warrant for  
eral meeting of the Inhabitants at Faneuil Hall on the gen<sup>l</sup>ral meeting  
first Monday or May next, at nine O'clock A.M. for the City Charter  
purpose of giving in their ballots for or against the ac- addition to  
ceptance of an act of the Legislature, passed March 29,  
1832, entitled: "An act in further addition to an act  
establishing the City of Boston".

Order of the Common Council committing Blind  
the petition of the trustees of the New England Institution Institution.  
for the education of the blind to the committee on finance,  
to consider and report. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred.

110.  
The Committee on the Petition of James A. Dickson and others to have Williams Street paved, and a common sewer made, reported, that so far as relates to the common sewer, the usual order of notice be issued, returnable at the next meeting of this board; and as far as relates to paving, that it is not expedient to pave said street, the present year. Read and accepted.

Memorial of Samuel Phillips, Hay weigher  
concerning the Southern Hay Scales. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham with such as the Common Council may join, with instructions to consider the expediency of removing the scales from their station near Charlestown. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Hastings, Hayes and others.

The Committee on Finance submit for the consideration of the City Council the three orders that accompany this report. For the Committee, Theodore Lyman, Jr.  
Ordered, That there be added to the Appropriation for the payment of Interest on the Public Debt of the City, during the present financial year, the sum of Eleven thousand dollars; and to the appropriation for the County of Suffolk, the sum of Eight thousand dollars.  
Ordered, That, for the purpose of meeting the additional appropriations granted in the preceding Order, the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, under direction of the Committee of Finance, a sum not exceeding  
Nineteen



thousand dollars on such terms, and, for such time, as III.  
said Committee may direct.

Ordered, That, for the purpose of defraying the expense  
in part, of certain new streets heretofore laid out by  
the Mayor and Aldermen the City Treasurer be and  
he is hereby, authorized to borrow, under direction of  
the Committee of Finance, the further sum of two thousand  
and five hundred dollars, on such terms and for such  
time, as the said Committee may direct. - Came up for  
concurrence. - Read and upon the question of concurrence  
all the members voted in the affirmative. -

The Committee to whom was referred Codman,  
the petition of Henry Codman, to be paid for land taken Washington  
to widen Washington street near West street, ask leave Street  
to submit the following order vizt. -

Ordered, that the sum of Eleven hundred dollars  
and twenty five cents be paid to Henry Codman, Esq.  
for four hundred and eighty nine feet of land taken  
to widen Washington street lit being at the rate of  
two dollars & twenty five cents per foot: Samuel Eliot,  
Samuel A. Eliot, Committee. Read and accepted.

The joint Committee to whom was re Water.  
ferred the communication of the Mayor on the subject  
of introducing water into the city, and also a petition  
of Warren Gutton and others, touching the same matter,  
have agreed to report the two resolutions that follow.  
For the Committee Theodore Lyman &c.

Resolved

112. Resolved, that power and authority be hereby given to  
to cause a survey to be made by some competent  
person, for the purpose of ascertaining whether a steady  
and copious supply of pure and soft water can be obtained,  
and also for the purpose of ascertaining what will be the  
best mode, and what the cost of introducing such supply  
of water into the City, with instructions to report the re-  
sult of the survey, as soon as completed, to the City Council.

Resolved, that the sum of two thousand dollars be hereby  
appropriated for the purpose of carrying the above written  
resolutions into effect.

The foregoing resolutions were read in Common Council, and  
the two following orders were offered, and adopted in  
lieu thereof to wit,

Ordered, that Messrs Rice, Pintody, and Marcell, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen might join, be a committee  
with authority to cause a survey to be made by some com-  
petent persons for the purpose of ascertaining whether a steady and  
copious supply of pure and soft water can be obtained &  
also what will be the best mode and the cost of introducing  
such supply of water into the City, and that said Committee  
report to the City Council the result of the survey as soon  
as completed.

Ordered, that the joint committee on appropriations  
in relation to water be the annual order to be reported  
an appropriation of two thousand dollars to meet the object  
of the preceding order. Came up for concurrence. Read and  
concurred, and the Mayor & Alderman Helmore were joined.

Adjourned to Monday next 4  
O'Clock P. M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty first day of April Anno Domini 1851.

Present:

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

The board proceeded by ballot to elect a Public Lands Superintendent of Public Lands, and upon the votes being taken it appeared that Francis Jackson was elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

The board proceeded by ballot to elect Assessors three permanent assessors for the ensuing year, and the votes being taken it appeared, that M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Arrows Henry Bass and Thomas Jackson, were chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Benjamin Winslow was licensed as an Auctioneer, and his bond approved.

John T. Valentine was licensed as an Auctioneer, on giving bonds as the law directs.

The Committee of the fire department Jenkins on the petition of William C. Jenkins and others to have an alarm bell placed on the Hawes School house at South Boston. reported, that a bell of suitable size and tone be placed on said School house, to be rung only in case of fire, and not to be rung in the first instance for fire unless the fire is at South Boston. Resolved.

114.  
Winchester  
New Street

Considered that the petition of Edmund Winchester, and others, for a new street from Cooper to New Street, and other streets be taken from the files and referred to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.

Snow  
Causeway Street

Petition of Larkin & Snow, and others to have Causeway street widened near Leverett street. Referred to Aldermen Bates & Eliot.

Gould  
Clark Street

Petition of William Gould, and others, to have Clark street continued and widened from Ann to Commercial streets. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Moseley  
Doubled Street

Petition of David C. Moseley to have the line of Doubled street, as laid out the last year altered. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Providence  
Rail Road

Petition of the Agent of the Boston and Providence Rail road Corporation, praying, that a committee may be appointed on the part of this board in relation to the disposition of the lands belonging to said Corporation and the City. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Chief Engineer  
Fire Department  
Ringers bells

Communication from the Chief Engineer of the fire department in relation to the ringing of bells for lectures, which occasions false alarms of fire, and unnecessarily turns out the fire department, and praying that some order may be taken so that hereafter the bells for lectures should only be tolled at a moderate rate.

Referred



Referred to the Committee on the fire department...

115.

Communication of firemen Ward. No 8. re. Firemen  
speaking the misconduct of some of their members, Referred Ward 8.  
to the Committee of the fire department...

The Committee on the petition of Noah Gray  
Gray, to be paid interest on the sum of money sold to him. That  
paid him for land taken to extend Prince street;  
reported that the petitioners have dealt with true  
his petition... Read and accepted...

The Committee on the petition of John Greenwood  
Greenwood for a lease or a lot of land on South Margin South Margin  
street reported that said petition be referred to the Street  
joint committee on public lands. Read, accepted &  
ordered accordingly... Sent down for concurrence.  
Concurrence...

The Committee to whom was referred Pratt  
the petition of Pratt, praying that he may not be Morrinac and  
obliged to remove from Morrinac and South Margin South Margin  
street, reported, that the same be referred to the joint Street  
committee on public lands. Read accepted and ordered  
accordingly... Sent down for concurrence.  
Concurrence...

The Committee on the petition of Nidder  
Nidder, or land and minor children and Commercial  
Nidder, respecting their land taken in the Street.  
continuation

116. continuation of Commercial Street, reported, that the report of the Committee of the last Board accepted 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January last be complied with. Read & accepted.

Pagis  
Yard. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given on the representation of the City Marshal respecting a nuisance in Pagis yard so called, on Anne street. And now no person appearing to object it is thereupon ordered, that the City Marshal cause a sufficient drain to be made, and that the expense thereof be charged to such estates as shall be benefitted thereby.

Dickson  
Williams Street. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting of this board in the petition of James M. Dickson, and others to have a common sewer laid in Williams street. And no person appearing to object, thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid in said street, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Shaw  
Pinckney  
Street. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order passed, at the last meeting of this board, on the petition of Jesse Shaw and others to have a common sewer laid in Pinckney street. And now no person appearing to object, thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid in said street, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.



The Board approved of the Indentures 117.  
of apprenticeship entered into by Benjamin Low Murphy's  
Murphy, above the age of fourteen years, a minor he Indenture  
having no father, Mother or legal guardian, whereby  
he binds himself to George Housley, for the term of seven  
years from the fifteenth day of April instant, to learn the  
trade of a Coppersmith.

The Assessors filed their schedule of Assessors  
a statement of taxes made by them the last year and the abatements  
causes of such abatements, and a schedule of a portion  
thereof re-assessed, and the reasons thereof.

Read and sent down.

The Committee to whom the communication of the Mayor in relation to the repairs of the Hawes  
School House was referred have attended to the School  
the subject and ask leave to Report, that they have  
examined the house and find that it contains two ca-  
pacious rooms, neither of which have the accommoda-  
tions and conveniences, that they are capable of con-  
taining or of accommodating the number of scholars  
that attend there; the lower room is unfit for the  
accommodation of any school whatever; the upper room  
is in a tolerable condition for the accommodation of a  
small school and may probably accommodate the  
surplus over and above what the lower room would  
contain for a number of years, provided that the lower  
room should be finished in the best mode. The Committee  
therefore

118. Therefore unanimously recommend that a committee be appointed with instruction to fit up the lower room in said house in imitation of the rooms in the Franklin School and also recommend the passing the following order. For the Committee Jabez Ellis, i.

Ordered, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars be appropriated, in defraying the expense of finishing the lower room in the Hawes School, and other small repairs. At. Read and accepted & thereupon

Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis and Dunham, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider & report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred with amendment. At. & add The same to be charged to the appropriation for repairs of school houses.

Read and concurred.

Page  
Cock Street

The Committee on the Petition of Calvin Tam, and others to dig a well in Cock Street, Report that the same ought to be granted, the petitioners having a sufficient carriage way in the street, repairing any damage done to the street or sidewalk, and placing a sufficient fence or guard round the well until the same is finished & a light on the same. For the Committee, Thomas Holmoe. Read and accepted.

Ellis

The Committee to whom was referred,

Prince, that the application of Rowland Ellis for compensation for land taken and damages sustained in consequence of taking the same for the continuation of Prince

Street



Street ask leave to Report, that they have given the <sup>119.</sup>  
subject that attention it required and have heard the  
Several claims for damages and compensation for land  
land taken; the committee find the whole number of  
feet of land taken is 324. which at Two dollars per  
foot will amount to six hundred and forty eight dollars  
damages to land; and garden, one hundred and sixty two  
dollars, and a brick wall to be made equal to what it  
originally was, one hundred, eighty three dollars and  
fifty cents; for putting up a rough board fence nine  
dollar and eighty cents; the City to fill the edge stones  
and lay the side walk at their expense and discontinue  
the gore of land adjoining the wharf amounting to 18  
square feet. They therefore ask leave to offer the following  
order. Charles Lighten Nathan Gurney, Committee.  
Ordered, that there be paid to Newland Ellises, master  
to Mrs. Tophlyn formerly, sometime Ellis the sum of  
one thousand three dollars and thirty cents in full for  
land taken and damages sustained by the continuation  
of Prince Street. Read and accepted.

The Committee to whom was referred <sup>Holland</sup>  
the petition of Thomas Holland ask leave to submit <sup>Harvard</sup>  
the following report; that they find the line of Curran <sup>Street</sup>  
Street laid down on a plan made by S. D. Fuller, Esquire  
dated May 1<sup>st</sup> 1826 to be correct they also find the top  
of the old stone wall on D. Baxters wharf at the dis  
tance of two hundred feet from Front Street to be on the  
southerly line of said street that said street ought to be  
thirty

120. Thirty feet wide throughout the whole length thereof according to ancient deeds; and they also find that the abutters on each side of said street have made encroachments, most of which are of a temporary kind; they recommend that leave be granted to the abutters to fill up said street with solid earth, also that the City cause a common sewer to be built from Front Street as far as said abutters shall fill up said street with earth.  
For the Committee, Samuel Fales Read & accepted.

State Lunatic  
Hospitals

The Committee on the subject of certain inmates of the State Lunatic Hospital at Worcester, belonging to this City who have been discharged have attended to that duty and ask leave to report, that two of the persons discharged from Lunatic Hospital will be returned to the House of Industry; one other has been taken by her husband, and the remaining one is employed in the town of Worcester. The two last are foreigners, and have been restored to reason; the other two are represented as incurable and not dangerous. For the Committee Samuel A. Eliot... Read and accepted...

P. M.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock



( ) At a meeting of the board of Alder-121.  
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday  
the twenty eighth day of April, Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Eliot.

Memorial of H. C. Otis in relation to  
to graduating Grove and May streets. Referred to Aldermen  
Aldermen Bates and Eliot. Otis  
Street.

Petition of Noah Lincoln, and others, Lincoln  
to widen Salutation Street. Referred to Aldermen Salutation  
Leighton and Curney. Street.

Petition of George Tomell, and others, to Tomell,  
have the street laid out from Anne Street to Commercial  
Street, near the head of Union wharf called Commercial  
avenue. Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Curney.

Petition of Ambrose Seaton, and others Seaton  
to have a defective chimney removed from a house in  
the rear of Gibbs Lane near Purchase Street. Referred to  
to the City Marshal. Gibbs Lane.

Petition of B. R. Nichols for compensation Nichols  
for land taken to build "Broad Street. Referred to  
to Aldermen Wolmore and Crocker. Street

Communication of Charles T. Hall Hall  
by his attorneys, respecting a claim he has for land near

122. Manual Hall market. Referred to Aldermen Holmes,  
Leighton & Gurney.

Mosely,  
Boylston  
Street

The Committee on the Petition of David  
C. Mosely to have the line of Boylston street altered.  
Reported that it is inexpedient to grant the same.

Read and accepted.

Mason  
Tremont  
Street

Ordered, that there be allowed to Saml.  
Mason, the sum of two hundred dollars & seventy cents in full  
for land taken from his estate for the extension of Tremont  
street, and damage done to his buildings, by the extension of  
said street: provided, that he give a sufficient deed of  
said land, and accept the amount granted by this order,  
within one month.

Baxter  
Harvard  
Street

Ordered, that Daniel C. Baxter, be no-  
tified to remove all incumbrances from the bottom of Har-  
vard street conformably to a plan made by S. P. Fuller, Esq.  
dated Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> 1836.

W. B. S.  
Sudbury  
Street

The Committee on the Petition of Messrs  
Dobson & Gray, compensation for land taken to widen  
Sudbury Street. Report that on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 1832  
by and order of this board, a piece of land containing  
about 1293 square feet belonging to the petitioner, was  
taken to widen Sudbury Street, and the buildings on  
the same were removed in November following. That  
in December of the same year a committee of the board  
reported that Mr. W. B. S. should be paid therefor, one  
hundred



hundred, ninety three dollars and eighty seven cents, or one 123.  
dollar and fifty cents per foot. The report was not ac-  
cepted on account of the largeness of the sum. That in  
February 1833, another committee reported the same  
sum and the same was accepted and the same is now  
objected to by the petitioner as being too small. Your  
Committee would further state, that the before mentioned  
sum, was the amount of damages as estimated by their  
appraisers appointed by the first committee, before  
the buildings were removed: as this subject has  
had so much of the consideration of this board, it is  
believed that the damages done have been determined  
with sufficient accuracy, but as the award before men-  
tioned has been varied in the case of other estates ad-  
joining this, taken at the same time and for the same  
purpose, your Committee would recommend, that a  
small additional sum should be granted to the peti-  
tioner & they therefore offer the following order. For  
the Committee Thomas Wilmore. Read, accepted & the same.  
Ordered, that there be paid to Moses Baps the sum  
of thirty two dollars, thirty seven and half cents in addition  
to the sum of one hundred and ninety seven dollars and  
eighty seven cents heretofore granted in compensation for  
a piece of land taken to widen and bury street Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>  
1833, the said sums to be in full for all damages occasion-  
ed by said widening, and said Baps to give a sufficient  
deed of said land and to accept this order within  
one month.

The Committee of the Middle District who Bank top road  
were

124. were authorized to alter the line of Franktop road if it could be done without expense to the City, and an arrangement could be made with the parties interested; Report, that said order was made in consequence of the Petition of John Peters and others that the said road should be made to run parallel with Broad street and the same having been opposed by the remonstrance of Lot Wheelwright and others, and that an arrangement has been made, between the parties interested, for the alteration of said road and it has been done without expense to the City. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.  
Read and accepted.

Coolidge

The Joint Committee of the City Council to whom was referred the Petition of Cornelius Coolidge praying for leave to recover to the City a certain piece of land purchased of the City by him and to be thereupon relieved from his liabilities to the City in consequence of said purchase: and also another petition from said Coolidge to have an Execution, which has been issued in favor of the City against him, stayed, have attended to the subject and ask leave to report. That November 24<sup>th</sup> 1825. Cornelius Coolidge purchased of the City 206.40 sq. ft. of land at public auction for 6708, for foot the whole amount of which was \$6708 and paid in advance 10 per cent 670.80 leaving a balance due of \$6037.20. on which said Coolidge gave his Mortgage deed of the estate and four notes of hand payable in ten years with interest



interest annually, and that he paid said interest until 12<sup>5</sup>.  
November 29<sup>th</sup> 1827, and has not paid anything since, and  
that said interest was paid on an Execution issued in  
favor of the City, compound interest being thereon allowed,  
that in November 1830 from the price of land purchased  
as agreed by Mr Coolidge, the City took \$320.00 for the  
purpose of a street and that said Coolidge has not been  
paid therefor. That in August 1831, said Coolidge presented  
to the City Council a petition requesting leave to recon-  
vey the said land to the City and be discharged from lia-  
bility thereon, he thereby soliciting the ten percent paid  
in advance, two years interest and the taxes paid up to that  
time: that said petition was duly committed, and was with-  
drawn, or not urged by said Coolidge, and for that reason,  
nothing was done thereon by the Council. That in May  
1830, petitions were received from Mr & H. Robbins and  
Mr J. Bellows, who had purchased land of the at the same  
time and under the same circumstances with Mr Coolidge,  
requesting to be released in the same manner as was request-  
ed by him, and that the prayer of said petitioners was  
granted. The Committee find that after passing through  
the hands of one Committee, the whole subject was again re-  
ferred to a joint committee of which Alderman Welmore  
was chairman, which last committee having estimated  
the cost of the land taken by the City for a street at the  
same price at which it was sold to Mr Coolidge, made the  
amount of the same principal, interest and proportion of  
taxes to be \$1942.44, which was December 30. 1833. allowed  
by the Board of Aldermen and ordered to be paid to said  
Coolidge.

126. Coolidge, on his making to the City a good and sufficient deed of said land. That the committee further recommended the sum of \$173.58 to be allowed said Coolidge, that being the amount of interest paid by him on said land, for the first two years after the purchase, but not included in the estimate above, together with \$30.19 the costs charged in the execution, and \$500 on consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the case. This report was accepted in the board of Aldermen, but not in the Common Council. Whereupon the Mayor and Aldermen agreed to include the aforesaid \$173.58 interest and \$30.19 charges in the price of the land taken by the City and did accordingly order the further sum of \$203.77 to be allowed Mr Coolidge making the amount allowed by the City for the land taken for a street to be \$2146.21 which now stands on the City Treasurers book to the credit of Mr Coolidge, to be allowed him on his making a sufficient deed of said land to the City. & In the meantime the execution hangs over Mr Coolidge for the whole amount of interest unpaid on the original note, both for his own land and that part taken by the City.

And Mr Coolidge renounces his petition to be allowed to reconvey the whole land purchased by him to the City, and by forfeiting the ten per cent the interest paid and the taxes, to be released from further liability.

The foregoing statement is believed to contain all the facts necessary to enable the City Council to understand the progress made in this business at the time it was referred their committee and also to enable them to do

justice



justice to the petitioner and the City. Although, at first, I J.  
there may seem to be some claim in equity for the City  
to receive back the land of Mr Coolidge on the same terms  
as that was received of Messrs Robbins & Bellows, who  
purchased at the same time, and on the same terms: yet  
there are weighty reasons, why the land should not, at  
this late hour, be received back by the City. Nevertheless,  
these reasons do not in the mind of the Committee operate  
against a fair & equitable allowance being made to Mr  
Coolidge to enable him to keep the land and to make  
such improvements thereon, as may best promote the in-  
terest of the City in that quarter. The Committee there-  
fore recommend, that the City do not take back the  
land from Mr Coolidge, but that the interest due on  
his notes to the City be cast by simple interest up to No-  
vember 29<sup>th</sup> 1833. and, in consideration of the peculiar  
circumstances of the case, that three years interest on  
said notes be allowed him: Provided he shall pay the  
balance of interest in cash, and make to the City a suf-  
ficient deed of the land purchased within one month  
after the acceptance of this report by the City Council, in  
which case the Execution now pending shall be void,  
otherwise to remain in full force. And in the hope of  
bringing this matter to a close the Committee recommend that  
the following order be passed by the City Council. As the  
Committee Nathan Gurney. Ordered, that the sum  
of Ten hundred and eighty six \$400 dollars be deducted  
from the interest due on sundry notes of hand held by  
the City against Cornelius Coolidge, Esquire for lands  
purchased

128. approved of the bill by him: provided that he pay to the City Treasurer at the same time Two hundred and one dollar: that being the balance of Interest due November 27<sup>th</sup> 1833 and that this sum be endorsed on said notes in full for Interest to that time. And also that an execution now pending for said interest be cancelled and void. provided that said bondholder shall pay the above mentioned balance of Interest and make to the City a sufficient deed of the portion of land taken for a street within one month from the passing of this order, otherwise to remain in full force. Read and not accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Foster's wharf  
proprietors

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the proprietors of Foster's wharf, for compensation for damages sustained by them in consequence of the extension of Broad Street, have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report, that the claim now made by the petitioners, is for payment for certain buildings which were demolished by and at the expense of the City in the extension of said Street the past year, amounting as they say to fourteen hundred dollars. By a reference to the files of this board it appears that for several years the petitioners and others, have been urging upon the City the necessity of making the improvement intended to accompanying their representations in a case with an agreement to relinquish their interest in the land over which the proposed street might pass.



pass. For various reasons, the street was not laid out 129.  
till the last year, when the petitioners again renewed  
their agreement "to relinquish to the City their interest  
in the land for a 50 feet street, provided it be opened  
during the year 1833." And the street was accordingly  
opened during that period. From the foregoing state-  
ment, your Committee are of opinion, that the City has  
a right to presume, when the agreement before mention-  
ed, was made on the part of the petitioners and the  
street laid out partly in consequence of it, that it was  
not their intention after giving their land, to ask pay-  
ment for the buildings which stood upon it; more es-  
pecially as they did not expressly reserve such a claim,  
as was done by some of the others who signed the same  
agreement. And they think that this is a sufficient  
answer to the demand now made. But admitting  
that it was not their intention to convey their build-  
ings and that the same did not pass by said grant;  
Your Committee are also of opinion that the estate of the  
petitioners over which the said street passes has been <sup>not</sup>  
injured by the taking of the land and removing of said  
buildings, but that the value of the same has been in-  
creased thereby; and they therefore report, that the  
proprietors of Boston wharf are not entitled to any  
damages for or on account of the demolition and re-  
moval of one building in the extension of Broad street  
made by order of this Board. And they ask to be dischar-  
ged from any further consideration of the subject. For the  
Committee, Thomas Holmore. Read and accepted.

1860.

Order of the Common Council appointing

Assistant assessors the following persons Assistant assessors vizt.,

Christopher Gore		Thomas D. Bradley	
Stephen Hoades	Ward 1.	Sosiah L. Marshall	Ward 8.
Ephraim Milton		Thomas Minns	
Moses Miller	Ward 2.	Silas Bullard	Ward 9.
Charles Lincoln		William H. Prentice	
Lebbeus Nelson	Ward 3.	Charles F. Rupper	Ward 10.
James Ridgway		Sosiah L. Yose	
George A. Sampson	Ward 5.	Joel Fay	Ward 11.
Mark Healey		Jacob Hinn	
Billings Briggs	Ward 6.	Luther Tilton	Ward 12.
Samuel Dorr			
Thaddeus Nichols	Ward 7.		

Came up for concurrence... Read and concurred.

Chief Engineer  
ringing bells  
for lectures

The Committee on the fire department to whom was referred, the communication of the Chief Engineer in relation to the ringing of bells for lectures. Report.

Whereas the practice of ringing bells or tolling them rapidly for lectures has frequently caused false alarms of fire thereby greatly annoying the Citizens, especially those attached to the fire department, and doing damage to the fire apparatus of the City, thereby much increasing the expense of that department; Therefore Ordered, that hereafter no bell shall be rung for lectures but tolled only at a moderate rate.

Read and accepted.



The Joint Committee to whom was referred 131.

the memorial of the Primary School Committee, concerning the building a school house in District No. 3. and the several documents accompanying the same; Report, That it appears from the papers submitted to them, that a joint Committee of the last City Council, after a full investigation of the subject reported that the interest of the Schools, and of the City required the erection of a Primary School house for the accommodation of two schools on land belonging to the City situate in South Margin and Merrimack Streets. The report of that Committee was accepted by the City Council, and an order passed the town of H. termen, appropriating a sum of money for the said building. Owing to the lateness of the season however, it was not deemed expedient to proceed forthwith in the erection of the same, and the order was for that reason amended in the Common Council and another passed in lieu thereof authorizing and requesting the Mayor and Aldermen to notify the tenants to quit the premises on or before the first of April preparatory to the erection of a building upon said land for the accommodation of two Primary Schools. Due notice was accordingly given and the land necessary for the house is now vacant. Your Committee fully agree with the former that the public interest requires the said building should be erected. School No. 1 is for the present placed in Distil house square and No. 2 in South Margin street, both these rooms are very inconvenient and unwholesome, and cost the City for rent sixty five and seventy five dollars, amounting to \$140.

182. The plan and estimate of the cost of the proposed building have been obtained, and by the latter it appears that the amount necessary to be appropriated will be about twenty six hundred dollars. Your committee beg leave therefore to make said plan and estimates a part of their report the same being marked A & B. and submit the following orders. For the Committee Thomas Helmore.

Ordered, that the sum of twenty six hundred dollars be appropriated for the purpose of building a school house on the City land in South Margin Street for the accommodation of two primary schools and that the said amount be included in the order for making appropriations for the next financial year.

Ordered that a joint Committee be appointed to superintend the erection of a School House on South Margin Street according to the plan and estimates submitted with the foregoing report, with power to alter said plan if the said Committee deem it expedient, and the same can be done without expense to the City. Read & accepted, in Common Council, and Messrs Hobart, A. Lewis and Koulstone, were appointed a committee on its part. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, & Aldermen Helmore and Leighton were appointed on the part of this board.

Adjourned to Wednesday next ten  
o'clock A.M.



At a meeting of the board of Alder- 133.  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday  
the thirtieth day of April Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except  
Alderman Eliot.

The joint Committee who were instructed Engrs  
to consider and report upon the expediency of adopting the "Men.  
act, entitled 'An act concerning the appointment of En-  
gine men', ask leave to Report, That the second & third  
sections of said act provide that all persons duly appoin-  
ted Engine men, or members of the fire department and  
who shall have done duty as such for one year prior to the  
first day of May in each year, shall be entitled to receive  
from the Treasurer of the City a sum equal to the pole tax  
paid by or for them. And the fifth section provides,  
that the said sections shall not take effect unless they  
same shall be adopted by the Mayor and Aldermen or  
City Council in the months of March or April annu-  
ally. There has been no adoption of the foregoing pro-  
visions by the Mayor and Aldermen and your Committee  
are of opinion that considering the amount already appro-  
priated by the ordinance for the fire department, the  
payment of a further sum would not be required by the  
members of said Department or consistent with the in-  
terest of the City; and the Committee therefore report, that  
it is inexpedient for the City Council to adopt the second  
and third sections of an act concerning the appoint-  
ment of Engine men. For the Committee Thos Wetmore.

Read

134. Read and accepted, in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Assistant  
Assessors

Order of the Common Council, appointing the following persons assistant assessors viz. Isaac Waters for Ward No. 1. instead of Billings, Briggs declined; Wm. Reynolds for Ward No. 2. instead of Thomas Mann declined. Jeremiah Ritch and Jonathan Heath for Ward No. 3.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Treasurer  
to borrow  
Money

Order of the Common Council, referring to the Committee of Finance an order authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow a sum of money. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Appropriation

The Auditing Committee of the City Council on appropriations to which was presented the estimate of the Auditor concerning the items of appropriations. Reported an estimate of the sum of money necessary to be appropriated to defray the expenses of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, during the financial year which will commence on the first day of May 1834, and close on the thirtieth day of April 1835. Also an Estimate of the ways and means to meet the expenditures of the City, for the ensuing financial year, which commences on the first day of May 1834, and closes on the thirtieth day of April 1835. Also an order urging a sum to defray the expenses of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, during the next financial.



financial year... Ordered, that the sum of three hundred 135.  
and seventy thousand dollars be raised, by a tax on  
the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of this City, agreeable  
to law, to pay the current expenses of the City and of the  
County of Suffolk, during the financial year, which will  
commence on the first day of May one thousand eight  
hundred and thirty four, and will close on the thirtieth  
day of April, one thousand, eight hundred and thirty  
five... Came up for concurrence... Read & concurred.

The Committee on having to whom was Old South  
referred the petition of the committee of the Old South Church.  
Church, to have the street macadamized around the same.  
Report, that the same ought to be granted so far as relates  
to the Macadamizing of Milk Street in front of said Church,  
provided however that the said Old South Society defray  
one half the expense thereof. The Committee deeming it  
expedient for the board to depart from their usual rule of  
not having any part of the expense of Macadamizing in  
front of Churches done for the special benefit of the sev-  
eral societies worshipping therein in consideration of the  
gratuitous use of said Old South Church by the City govern-  
ment for public celebrations and they offer the following  
order... For the Committee, Thomas Wetmore. Read, acc'd.  
Ordered, that Milk Street be macadamized in front  
of the Old South Church, provided that the Old South  
Society pay one half the expense thereof, and that the same  
be done under the direction of the Committee of the District.  
Adjourned to Monday next 4  
Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the  
fifth day of May Anno Domini 1834.

The Present...

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen...

Superintendent

of the land

The board proceeded by ballot to elect a Super-  
intendent of Public Land, and the vote being taken, it ap-  
peared that Mr. T. F. M. Esquire, was unanimously  
chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Director of the

House of Representatives

Ordered, that Monday next be assigned  
the care of the directors of the House of Representatives.

Glazier

Merrimac

Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the  
Petition of Nathan Glazier, and others, to have a part of  
Merrimac Street paved, reported that said Petition be  
granted; and that the paving be done under the direction  
of the committees of the several districts.

Read and accepted.

Nichols and

Co. (Crest)

Street

Petition of Nichols and Co. to be paid  
for loss of time and business, in consequence of being obliged to  
remove from a house taken to widen Creek Street, Referred  
to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Leighton

Commercial

Street

Petition of Susannah Leighton, to be paid  
for house and land taken to extend Commercial Street...  
Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.



Resolved, that the northeasterly line 137.  
of Boylston street from the southeasterly corner of Charles  
Sprague, Esquire's brick house to Washington street, be par-  
celled with the northeasterly side of the Boylston Market house,  
and at the distance of only five feet six inches therefrom  
all that part of Boylston street lying northeasterly of the  
above described line, be and the same is hereby discontinued  
as part of said street.

The Committee to whom was referred Jose  
the application of Haa D. Jose, for damages sustained in  
losing his horse by driving through Creek street in April  
last, ask leave to report, that from the best evidence they  
have been able to obtain said Jose did on the evening of April  
10th have business in said Creek street with persons unknown  
to the Committee, and from thence he was proceeding to his place  
of residence, passing through that part of Creek street, between  
Anne and Hanover streets, it being between eight and nine  
o'clock in the evening and very dark, the ground gave way  
from under the wheel of the carriage and the seat of his  
horse fell. There being no fence to protect him, they fell to  
gether into the cellar of the estate belonging to Mr. Phillemore  
and others and thereby injured his horse so severely that  
he died the next day and otherwise damaged himself and  
carriage. And there being some doubts in the minds of the  
Committee as to his legal claim for damages, they have taken  
the verbal opinion of the City Solicitor and he advised  
an amicable settlement with Mr. Jose, as he thinks the City  
is liable for damages. Mr. Jose claims sixty dollars for his

138. horse and other damage to his carriage but the Committee have reason to believe they can settle with the claimant in full for all damages for forty dollars they therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee Charles Lighton... Read and accepted & thereupon ordered, that there be paid to Isaac D. Rose the sum of forty dollars for the loss of his horse and other damages sustained by passing through Creek street, the said sum being in full of all demands.

House of Industry  
The secretaries of the House of Industry made their annual report of the receipts and expenditures of that institution. Read and laid upon the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the members of the City Council.

City Treasurer  
concerning  
C. Coolidge  
The City Treasurer's communications respecting an order which passed the Board of Aldermen on the 3<sup>d</sup> of January last, directing the execution in favor of the City against Cornelius Coolidge, to be stayed until further order. Read and thereupon ordered, that said order be rescinded, and that the Treasurer be authorized to cause the above mentioned execution to be issued.

Palmer  
Green street  
Petition of Simeon Palmer to be paid for land taken to widen Creek street. Referred to Aldermen Lighton and Gurney.

Williams  
Petition of John Williams, to have our street widened near the North square. Referred to Aldermen Lighton & Gurney.



Petition of the heirs of Nathaniel Frothingham 139.  
ingham to be paid for land taken to widen Creek Street. Frothingham.  
Referred to. Aldermen Leighton and Gurney. Creek Street.

Ordered, that the victualler's license Grants  
recently granted to. Alpheus Grant, be and hereby is re- license  
voked, in consequence of said Grant having been convicted revoked  
in the police court of a violation of the license law.

Communication of the Chief Engineer Engine  
of the fire department, respecting the disorderly conduct Company  
of Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 3, on the alarm of fire on the first N<sup>o</sup> 3.  
instant... and the memorial of that company, accompanied  
with sundry resolutions. Read and committed to the com-  
mittee of the fire department, to consider and report.

Memorial of James Davis and Henry Davis and  
O. Oliver, respecting an error in the ad measurement Oliver, Creek  
of their land taken to widen Creek Street. Referred. Street  
to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

The Committee to whom the communi- African  
cation of the Mayor and the accompanying papers in relation School  
to the African School House was referred have attended to House  
the subject and respectfully Report, that in the opinion  
of the Committee, it is imprudent to build a new school  
School at present or until it can be further ascertained  
what the wants of the School may be, but recommend that  
the Mayor and Aldermen be requested to clean and repair  
the

140. the room now occupied, in such a manner that it will answer the purpose for the present, and for that purpose of the following order. Tabiz Ellis for the Committee.  
Read and accepted & thereupon  
Ordered; that a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars be appropriated for defraying the expense of a temporary repair on the African School House, to be charged to the appropriation for the repairs of School houses.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next, 12 O'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twelfth day of May, Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor and the whole Board of Aldermen.

Auditor of  
City  
debt...

Order of the Common Council, committing the Auditor of accounts, abstract of the amount of City debt, falling due in the course of the present financial year, and also an estimate of the amount which will probably be placed to the credit of the Committee on Reduction of the City debt, during the same period, to the Committee on finance



finance to consider and report... Came up for concurrence... 141.

Read and concurred..

Order of the Common Council appointing Public  
Mr Richardson one of the joint committee on public lands. Lands  
instead of Mr Eustis, who was excused from serving.

Came up for concurrence..

Read and concurred..

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice Auditor  
of Auditors of accounts; and the votes being taken it appeared of  
that William Hayden Junior, Esquire was unanimously accounts  
chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.. Chosen.

Order of the Common Council request House of  
ting the joint committee to whom was referred on the 27<sup>th</sup> Reclamation  
of February last the memorial of the Directors of the House  
of Reformation and to whom certain other documents were  
referred, to report at the next meeting of the Council on  
all the subjects committed to them.. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred..

Order of the Common Council com - Jackson  
mitting the petition of Francis Jackson and others, praying Cow on Neck  
that cows may be restrained from running at large on the lands.  
Neck lands to the joint committee on neck lands to con-  
sider and report. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

142.

Communications were received from Ebenezer  
House of Daniel Conner, Parker, Edward Brooks, John E. Dimmock,  
Reformation George W. Emerson, Stephen Fairbanks and John Rayner,  
Directors School Squires, declining a re-election as Directors of the House of  
a re-election Reformation. - Which were read and sent down.

Crater

Cicero

Richard Sullivan Fay, Esquire, was nomi-  
nated and appointed Crater to deliver the City oration on the  
next anniversary of the declaration of the Independence of  
the United States

Independence

Committee of  
Arrangement.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Bates,  
Gurney and Dunham, with such as the Common Council may  
join, be a Committee to make suitable arrangements for the cele-  
bration of the next anniversary of the declaration of the Inde-  
pendence of the United States. Sent down for concurrence. Came  
up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs  
McLinn, Leavitt, Snow, Whitford and McCallan.

Masoley

Woulston

Street

Petition of David C. Masoley to be paid  
for land taken to widen Woulston Street. Referred to the  
Mayor, Aldermen Ellis and Dunham, to consider and report.

Public

Land

Alderman Loughton was discharged, at  
his own request from the Committee on public lands and  
Alderman Gurney was appointed in his stead.

Smith

Ordered, that the sum of fifty dollars  
be paid to Ebenezer Smith, in consideration of relinquishing  
his



his lease to the City of a lot of land on Union street hereto 143.  
for occupied by Engine house. No. 10, which was destroyed by  
fire, and surrendering all claim against the City under said  
lease.

Petition of James Savage, and more than Savage  
fifty others, qualified voters, requesting that a general town warrant for  
telling of the inhabitants of the City qualified to vote in city general  
affairs may be called and holden for the purpose of determin- meeting.  
ing by written ballots whether they will adopt the act passed  
at the last session of the General Court, entitled: An act  
in further addition to an act establishing the City of Boston.  
Read and thereupon ordered, that a warrant be issued for  
such meeting to be held at Faneuil Hall, on Tuesday, the  
20th inst., at ten o'clock. A. M. and that the bells be  
rung at 9 and 10 o'clock for ten minutes each.

Ordered, that the committee on burial Tombs to be  
grounds &c cause four tombs to be erected on the eastern built  
side of the south burial ground to conform to the tombs  
already erected, for the use of the City.

Petition of Joseph Harrington to be Harrington  
remunerated the damage he has sustained in passing  
through the Boston South bridge. Referred to Aldermen  
Ellis and Dunham.

Communication of the City Marshal. Hand carts in  
requesting the standing of hand carts in Washington street. Washington street  
Referred to the City Marshal, with full power to  
dispose

144. dispose and arrange the same, as he may deem most expedient.

Parker  
Eliot Street  
Petition of Luther Parker and others to have Eliot Street continued through to Church Street.  
Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Primary  
School  
Ordered, that the joint committee on the subject of Primary Schools be discharged, and that the whole subject be referred to Aldermen Greble & Eliot, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. - Sent down for concurrence. - Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Gould, Prescott and Winthrop.

City Marshal  
Prince Street  
The committee on the application of the City Marshal, respecting a common sewer at the bottom of Prince Street, from Thatcher Street to Charlestown bridge reported, that an order of notice returnable next Monday be issued, in the usual form. - Read and accepted.

Page  
Beaver  
The Committee on the application of Samuel Page for a license to exhibit a live Beaver, Congress Street, reported, that a license be granted. - Read and accepted.

Palmer  
Creek Street  
The Committee on the application of Simon Palmer, to be paid for land taken to make Creek Street, reported, in favor of leaving this case to a mutual reference. -  
Read and accepted.



Upon a representation and request of Ebenger 145.

Smith, to be authorized to carry off the waste water by repairing a drain, belonging to an estate occupied by Rufus Merriam, in Merriam street and owned by Thurlow, Street. the said waste water having been complained of as nuisance. - Ordered, that the said Ebenger & Smith, who has a mortgage on said estate, be empowered to cause said drain to be repaired without delay.

The City Treasurer and Auditor having received K. O. O.

Notified that a mortgage given by E. S. H. to the City, to secure the payment of \$100 and forty eight dollars and three cents, recorded with Suffolk deeds, Lib. 302, folio 71 & 72, has been fully paid and satisfied. Thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge the same on the record.

The Committee on the fire department Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 3. have examined into the allegations that have been presented to the Mayor and Aldermen against the first assistant and second assistant foremen, and a portion of the members of Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 3. they have heard, in the presence of the parties, the evidence in support of those allegations and also the evidence and statements offered and made by the said Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 3. for the purpose of refuting and disproving the charges and generally in defence and explanation of their conduct. In the judgement of the committee it has been proved, first, that Engine Company N<sup>o</sup> 3. being under the command of the first assistant foremen, while returning from a alarm of fire in Washington

146. Washington street on Thursday the first day of May, did  
violate the orders of the Chief Engineer repeated and dis-  
tinctly given.

Second. That in going down State street the same day  
between one and two o'clock, the conduct of the said compa-  
ny was disorderly to the degree as greatly to annoy and  
disturb the citizens. And third. That the said com-  
pany still in the charge of the said assistant foremen  
did generally manifest, while in Washington and State  
streets, an open disregard of those wholesome regulations  
of the department, which have been adopted for the es-  
pecial comfort, convenience and security of the public,  
while engines are proceeding to or returning from a fire.  
It also appeared in the course of the examination, that the  
other officers and a portion of the members were either  
not present or not actively concerned in the proceedings  
above recited, but it did not appear that they had resorted  
to any measures, whatever, either to express a disapprobation  
of the conduct of the company or to disavow a participation  
in it. The committee on the fire department therefore  
now submit for the consideration of the board the orders  
that follow. For the committee Theodore Lyman Junior

Read, accepted, and thereupon

Ordered, that the first and second assistant foremen and  
those members of Engine Company No. 3, that took a part  
in the proceedings in Washington & State streets on Thursday  
the first day of May be discharged from the fire depart-  
ment.

Ordered, that the yeoman and clerk and the remaining  
members



members of said company, be dismissed from the care and 147  
custody of said Engine No. 3.

Ordered, that the Chief Engineer be directed to take  
into his charge and keep said Engine No. 3. with all the  
apparatus and other City property belonging to the same,  
and to the Engine house, and that he be further instructed  
to cause another company to be raised for the said Engine.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of  
petitioners, read and then saying that 148  
Elm Street may be widened. Report the following Resolves  
and order... For the Committee, Thomas Holmore.

Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the In-  
habitants require that Elm Street should be widened  
by taking a piece of Land, bounded as follows vizt beginning  
at the Northern corner of a building numbered 10 belonging  
to J. S. Linn, thence running to the present line of said  
street seven feet and four inches, thence running by the  
present line of said street, Westerly ninety four feet and  
seven and one half inches to a passage way; thence by the  
said passage way, Southerly about five feet, and thence in  
a straight line to the place of beginning, according to a  
plan made by J. P. Butler; taking from the estate of  
W. C. Sumner one hundred and fifty five feet from the estate  
of John Parker, two hundred and eight feet, from the estate  
late of E. Rollins, one hundred and seventy one feet; and  
from the estate of the Fifty Associates, so called, one hundred  
and forty three feet, and it is hereby ordered that the  
piece of Land before described be and hereby is laid out

148. as a Public Street, and the Committee of the district are directed to cause all incumbrances to be removed therefrom.

Valentine's  
Heirs' Broad  
Street.

The Committee on the Petition of Isaac & Edward  
in behalf of the minor children of Ganson Valentine. -  
Report the following order. - For the Committee the Mayor  
Ordered, that there be paid to the heirs of Ganson Valentine  
eight hundred and eighty three dollars <sup>20/100</sup> in full for sev-  
teen hundred and seventy two feet of land taken in laying  
out Broad Street; Provided that said heirs give a sufficient  
bond to said Land and release the City from all damages.

Read and accepted.

Packard  
Broad Street

The Committee to whom was referred the  
Petition of Isaac Packard, for compensation for certain  
buildings taken down and removed by and at the expense  
of the City for the purpose of laying out Broad Street.  
Report, that by an agreement between said Packard &  
the City, dated March 5<sup>th</sup> 1833 said Packard agreed to give  
to the City a piece of land fifty feet in width across his es-  
tate for the purpose of laying out said street, it being un-  
derstood however that if it should require the removal of  
buildings, indemnification should be made for the same  
and that whenever the above mentioned Land should be  
built upon the new buildings should confine to the line of  
the street. Your Committee are of opinion (after much en-  
quiry) that the estate of Mr. Packard has been increased  
in value by the laying out said street, far beyond the worth  
of the land taken & the damage occasioned by the removal



of his buildings and therefore that, all on side, absolutely 149.  
agreement to give his land on the conditions before mentioned.  
He has sustained no damage and is not entitled to any  
recompense therefor. For the Committee, Thos. Holman.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the petition of Elijah T. Weatherbee Weatherbee,  
to be paid for land taken to extend Broad St. Reported. Read & accepted. Broad St.  
Recorded at large page 361.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock.

S. H.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the  
nineteenth day of May. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Al-  
dermen Wilmore and Fales.

Amos Stevens and Henry Plympton,  
were chosen sealers of weights and measures by ballot.

Weights & Measures  
sealers appointed.

Amos H. Howe was unanimously  
chosen by ballot, Superintendent of burial grounds and  
cemetaries.

Amos H. Howe  
Superintendent  
Chosen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Fence viewers  
 & chosen

Some viewers and other officers were appointed for the ensuing year viz: Nathaniel Bradley, Romanus Emerson, Helen Carlshorn, and Abel Hawkins, Fence Viewers. Benjamin Clark, Benjamin Tucker, Nathaniel Howe and Charles L. Cook, Cutlers of dry Fish., James Brown, Benjamin Clark, Nathaniel Howland, Charles L. Cook, Cutlers of Hoops and Staves. Francis James, and Samuel Sprague inspectors of lime. Lewis A. Lauriat, Appay Master. Levi White, Charles Gaylord, and John B. Braid, Hogreers and Field drivers. Samuel Phillips, Royal Oliver, Levi White and John Mead, Pound Keepers. Samuel Emmons and Benjamin Rich, Surveyors of Camp. Sent down for concurrence. Came up & concurred.

Committee

Committee on  
 discharged.

The Committee on Licenses reported, that they have reported upon all the applications referred to them, they are of opinion that the remaining few cases that may come in may be attended to, by the several district committees, they therefore asked to be discharged from any further duty. Read and accepted and they were discharged accordingly.

reasury &  
 borrow money.

Order of the Common Council authorizing the City Treasurer under the direction of the Committee on Finance to borrow during the present financial year, any sums of Money which may be necessary, for the purposes of the Treasury at such times for such periods, and at such rates of interest as may be approved by said committee; Provided, that the whole amount so borrowed shall not exceed the sum of four hundred & fifty thousand dollars. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.



Petition of Nathaniel D. Vose, and others, 151.  
praying, that the Aqueduct may be introduced into the Frank Vose  
Lin School house. Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham.

Requisition having been made by the Walker  
Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, that inquisition non compos  
be made as to the state of mind of Elizabeth Walker of Boston, 151.  
widow, who has been represented as a person non compos  
mentis and incapable of taking care of herself. Read and  
thereupon ordered, that the said Elizabeth Walker be no-  
tified to appear before this board on Monday next at 11 o'clock  
P. M. and shew cause, if any, she have, why she should not be  
declared non compos mentis as aforesaid; in order that a  
Guardian may be appointed to her according to law.

Petition of Israel Ames to be paid for Ames  
land taken to make the street over Mill Creek. Referred to Aldermen  
to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Petition of Hannah Taylor to be paid Taylor  
for land taken to make the street over mill creek. Referred to Aldermen  
to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Petition of the Executors of the Will of Melville  
Thomas Melville to be paid for land to widen Green and Green and  
Stanford streets. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Petition of Silas Atkins to be paid for land Atkins  
taken to widen Lynn street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton  
and Gurney.

152.

Palmer.

Petition of John Palmer to be remunerated

the damage he has sustained in consequence of being injured by an Engine. Referred to the committee on the fire department.

Treasurer's  
accounts  
Committee to  
audit

Ordered, that Aldermen Bates & Lighter, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to examine and audit the accounts of the City and County Treasurer. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs Bartlett, Tremere and Oliver.

House of  
Correction  
Sea Wall

Ordered, that the Directors of the House of Correction be authorized to expend a sum of money, not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars for the continuation of the sea wall, near the House of Correction at South Boston under the direction of Aldermen Vincent & Dunham with such as the Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs Gray, Harris and Ames.

Stevens

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Amos Stevens, that he may have the use of the Standard weights formerly used by Samuel Beals, late sexton of weights and measures, reported, that said Stevens have the use of the same, and to be reserved for his successor.

Read & accepted.

Prince Street  
Common Sewer

It appearing to this board that notice has been given agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting, respecting



resolving to lay a common sewer at the corner of 153.  
Prince Street. And no person appearing to object, it is  
thereupon ordered, that said sewer be constructed under  
the direction of the Committee of the District, and the cost  
thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted  
thereby.

Ordered that public notice be given that Carver Street  
this board will take into consideration the expediency of laying a common sewer, in Carver Street, and apportioning  
the expense thereof, according to the benefit to those whose  
estate shall be benefitted thereby.

Representation of the Superintendent of Superintendent  
Public Lands, recommending, that one or more additional of public lands  
out lots be made to carry off the stagnant water on the eas-  
terly side of Washington Street. Referred to Alderman  
Ellis and Dunham.

The Committee to whom was referred the Columbia  
application of the Columbian Artillery Company for permis-  
sion to erect a flag staff at the Gun house on the corner of  
North Margin and Cooper streets. Report that permis-  
sion be granted, provided the same be erected at the North  
end of said building between the door and the western side  
of the same, and provided also that the outer side of the  
post do not project more than eighteen inches from said  
building. For the Committee, Nathan Gurney  
Read and accepted.

154.

The Committee on finance, to whom was referred the petition of the trustees of the New England Institution for the Education of the Blind, praying that the property of said institution may in future be exempt from taxation, have agreed to report, - That the City Council have no authority to exempt any species of property from taxation nor in any case to abate or remit taxes. - The Committee thereupon offer for consideration the following Resolution. - Resolved that the petitioners above named have leave to withdraw their petition. - For the Committee Theodore Lyman Jr. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Moseley.

The Committee on the application of David C. Moseley to be indemnified for land taken to widen Boston Street; Report that they have agreed to give Mr. Moseley fifty five hundred dollars for the land taken from his estate to widen said street on condition that he removes all the buildings and puts the city in possession of the premises free of expense. The Committee thereupon offer the following order. - For the Committee Theodore Lyman Jr. Read and accepted and thereupon ordered that there be paid to David C. Moseley the sum of Five thousand five hundred dollars for land taken to widen Boston Street, provided said Moseley puts the City in possession of the same free of expense and of all incumbrances, and that he deliver a sufficient deed for the same.



The committee on the petition of John Williams 153.  
to have Ann street widened near North square. Reported Williams  
the following, Resolved, vizt. Ann street.

Resolved; that the public safety and convenience require  
that Ann street be widened, by taking a piece of land belonging  
to James Hitchborn leading to North square and bounded  
as follows; beginning at the easterly end of House belonging to  
John Williams; from thence running northwesterly; fourteen  
feet eight inches to the House of said Hitchborn thence run-  
ning southeasterly by said house one foot four inches to the southerly  
corner thereof thence running southwesterly seventeen  
feet one inch by the present line of said street, thence north-  
westerly three feet six inches to the place of beginning; taking  
from said Hitchborn thirty eight feet of land.

Read and accepted.

The Committee, appointed to consider the Primary  
expedience of erecting buildings for the use of the Primary Schools  
have attended to the subject, and ask leave to--

Report, That in their opinion, many of the rooms now  
used for the Primary Schools are very unsuitable for that  
purpose, and the call upon the City to furnish better ap-  
artments for these important establishments is unequivocal  
and loud. As it is impracticable however, to erect the  
whole number at once; the committee having conferred with  
the Primary School board, and ascertained that the school  
rooms in the worst condition are those in Sea and East  
streets in District No. 6. and the African Schools in District  
No. 2. recommend the allocation of the following order vizt.

Ordered

156. Ordered, that a sum not exceeding six Thousand dollars be expended, under the direction of a joint select committee, in erecting two suitable buildings for Primary Schools, one in District A. and the other in District B. each building to be so constructed as to contain two school rooms for the Committee named. Read, accepted & thereupon Ordered, that Aldermen Greele and Eliot with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to carry the same into effect. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs Gould, Richardson and Shaw.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 O'Clock  
P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty  
sixth day of May. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Wilmore.

Coolidge,

Order of the Common Council committing  
the memorial of Cornelius Coolidge, respecting the City  
taking back the land which he purchased some years since.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurring.



Communication was received from Henry B. J.  
Hampden, declining to serve as a sorter of weights & measures. Hampden  
Read and laid on the table.

Petition of John Boles, and others to have "V. des. Merrimac"  
a well sunk corner of Merrimac and Portland streets. Portland streets  
referred to Aldermen Wilson and Crute.

Petition of the Primary School Committee, Primary School  
District No. 4, for the use of the ward room in the Hall School Committee's  
house, for a primary school. Referred to the Committee on  
Public buildings on the part of this board.

Communication from the Superintendent of Public Lands  
respecting naming the new streets laid out on the Neck lands. Referred to the Committee on sale of  
public lands on the part of this board.

Petition of Ebenezer Mountfort to be relieved from the payment of the expense of laying sidewalk in Ann street near the North square. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Curney.

Petition of William Thimmin, agent of Thimmin  
Isaac Packard, for damage in removing buildings from Land 13 Broad Street  
taken to extend Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wilson  
and Crute.

Petition of William H. Milton and others, Milton  
breakers or stores under certain laws for reduction of street rents. Referred to the committee on public buildings on the part of this board.

128.

Sister and others that a common sewer be laid in North  
Street...  
Street...  
Street...  
returnable at the next meeting of this board. Read and  
accepted and ordered accordingly...

Walker

It appearing to this board that notice has  
non compos mentis been given agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting,  
to Elizabeth Walker, who has been represented as a person  
non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of herself.  
And now the said Elizabeth does not appear, and upon  
the examination of divers witnesses under oath, and mature  
deliberation thereon, the board are of opinion that the said  
Elizabeth is a person non compos mentis as aforesaid, and a  
certificate to that effect was issued by the Mayor and a  
majority of the Aldermen directed to the Judge of Probate,  
in order that a Guardian to said Elizabeth may be appointed  
according to law...

Adams School  
Mason Street

Memorial of the Instructors of the Adams  
School, setting forth that they and the pupils of said school  
are much annoyed in consequence of the Engine house being  
so near their said school. Referred to the Committee on  
the fire department.

Tombs in  
South burial  
ground...

The Committee on burial grounds find  
that more tombs are wanted for the burial of the City's  
poor, and ask leave to submit the following order...

Ordered, that four tombs be built in  
the South burial ground, and that six hundred dollars  
be



be appropriated to complete the same. Road and accepted 159.  
and the order passed.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Broadways  
of Streets be directed to complete the grading and gravel South Boston  
ing Broadway, at South Boston, under the direction of  
the committee of the district, and that the expense be charged  
to the appropriation for the repairs of streets.

Claim of Paul Prichard against the Prichard.  
City for taxes of John T. Apthorp's house, which was used  
as a Cholera Hospital, the City having agreed to indemnify  
said Prichard for a domestic. Referred to Aldermen  
Ellis and Danksam.

The Committee appointed to audit Treasurers  
and settle the accounts of the City and Local Treasurer accounts  
from April 30<sup>th</sup> 1833 to May 1<sup>st</sup> 1834, being the close of the  
financial year, have attended to that duty, and find the  
accounts are correctly stated, and that there are proper  
vouchers for the same. The Committee find that there has  
been received at sundry times since April 30<sup>th</sup> 1833, for the  
account of the City of Boston, One Million, forty eight thous.  
and, nine hundred and ninety four dollars and eleven cents,  
and that there has been paid on the same account, one  
Million, thirty two thousand, seven hundred and thirty  
five dollars, and eighty cents, leaving a balance due to the  
City, of sixteen thousand, two hundred and fifty eight dollars  
and thirty one cents. The Committee also find that there  
has been received on account of the County of Suffolk, during  
the same period, Twenty six thousand, three hundred and  
twelve

160. twelve dollars and fifty five cents, and that there has been paid on the same account, thirty eight thousand, nine hundred and seventy nine dollars and twenty nine cents. leaving a balance against the County, of twelve thousand, six hundred, sixty six dollars, and seventy four cents. and leaving a final balance in the Treasury of three thousand, five hundred, ninety one dollars and fifty seven cents, and that the notes paid by the Treasurer, have been duly cancelled. Samuel Fitch, George F. Oliver, George Martell, Charles Lighten, John W. Bromere Committee. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Davis  
and Samuel

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Davis, and others, for a new Pound at South Boston, ask leave to Report; That in the opinion of the Committee it is necessary that a Pound should be erected at South Boston they therefore ask leave to offer the following order. Subj. Ellis for the Committee Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered, that the Committee of the Southern district be directed to cause a Pound to be erected in the South west corner of the land of the establishment of the House of Industry within the stockade fence.

State Lunatic  
Hospital

The Committee to whom was referred the claim made against the City of Boston by the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital for the expenses of sundry pauper lunatics sent to the establishment from the City submit the following Report. The claim of the Trustees com-

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prehends two classes of lunatics viz: 1<sup>st</sup>. Paupers whose legal 161.  
settlement is in the City of Boston; and 2<sup>d</sup>. those called State  
paupers, who are either aliens, or natives having no legal settle-  
ment in any town within this Commonwealth. For both of  
these descriptions of lunatic persons the Trustees of the Hospital  
claim of the City the sum of \$2.50 a week; but in the case of those  
who are State paupers, it is understood that the usual allow-  
ance, made to towns by the Commonwealth for the ordinary  
support of State paupers who are not lunatics is seventy cents  
a week, which is deducted so that the actual claim against  
the City for lunatics of this latter class will be one dollar &  
eighty cents a week for each person. In respect to the first  
mentioned class of pauper lunatics or those whose legal set-  
tlement is in the City of Boston or other place within the  
Commonwealth; Your Committee have only to remark, that  
the sum of \$2.50 a week being assumed as a reasonable charge  
(which the Committee presume to be the case) it is incumbent  
on the City to defray it, as in the case of all other reasonable  
charges on account of City paupers. The case of the State pau-  
per lunatics, however, appears to your Committee to stand up-  
on a different ground, and in respect to which they submit the  
following considerations. The present claims against the City  
are made under the act passed on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March 1834, en-  
titled "an act concerning the State Lunatic Hospital",  
which repeals the three previous laws on the same subject  
passed in 1832 & 1833, and also the third section of the law  
of 1797 chapter 62. Your Committee feel some hesitation in  
deciding upon the true construction of the law, so far as re-  
lates to the present question, for the following reasons.

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162. The seventh section of the act provides in the most general terms, that "the accounts of the Hospital for the support of all patients committed thereto in all cases where other charges are not taken satisfactory to the trustees, shall be regularly charged to and shall be paid by the town or city where the patient resided at the time of the application for commitment". Here no discrimination appears to be made between State and Town pauper lunatics. But a subsequent part of the same section goes on to provide that the town or city which shall thus be called upon by the trustees "shall have the same rights and remedies against all corporations and persons to recover such expense of removing and supporting any pauper lunatic, as if such expense had been incurred by said town or city in the ordinary support of such lunatic".

Now is it not deemed equitable by the Legislature that the town or city thus charged by the trustees should be entitled to recover of each particular town the whole expense incurred at the Hospital for supporting pauper lunatics having their settlement in such town; it is certainly causing just that the towns charged for State lunatics, should be reimbursed by the State the whole expense of such lunatics, and not merely the ordinary weekly allowance for paupers who are not lunatics, viz. seventy cents. No express provision, however is made for such a reimbursement by the Commonwealth; but the liability of the town is made to depend merely upon the accidental circumstance of the State paupers "residing in the town so charged, whether his legal settlement was there or not. If such is to be the construction of the act, it will operate most unequally and most unjustly upon particular towns where

aliens



aliens and other State paupers happen to "reside"; and it is 163.  
in direct conflict with the long established system of this  
Commonwealth, by which the state has hitherto deemed it  
just that towns should be reimbursed the expenses incurred  
by them for the ordinary support of State paupers.

It may be added also, that unless towns shall be  
compelled to send to the State Hospital all their pauper  
lunatics without discrimination, this inequality and the  
great additional expense thus imposed upon particular  
towns where State pauper lunatics may happen to be found  
residing will have a tendency, in some degree, to defeat the  
humane intentions of the Legislature, by inducing towns to  
not under their own care many pauper lunatics who ought  
to share in the benefits of the State Hospital.

Under these views of the subject, while your  
Committee are persuaded that the citizens of Boston will  
ever be found ready to defray the expenses of their own town  
paupers, and also to bear their full proportion of the com-  
mon burdens of the State, they have a strong conviction that  
the Legislature did not intend to impose so unequal a bur-  
den upon this City as will follow from the literal construction  
now put upon the act in question; and therefore they deem it  
advisable respectfully to ask the further attention of the Gov-  
ernment of the Commonwealth to the injurious and unequal  
operation of the present law. With this view, they recom-  
mend the payment of all sums charged by the Trustees again-  
st the City for pauper lunatics having their settlement in  
Boston and other places within the Commonwealth, and  
the appointment of a Committee to confer with the Trustees

164. of the Hospital, in respect to the remaining part of the claim, agreeable to the orders accompanying this report. as which is in evidence submitted. In order of the Committee, Samuel Bates Chairman... Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered, that the amount claimed by the Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital for the support of the several pauper lunatics, whose legal settlement is in the City of Boston, and in other places within this Commonwealth, be forthwith paid to the said Trustees, and that the same amount be charged to the Reserved Fund...

Ordered further, that the Mayor, Aldermen Bates & Holman, with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to communicate with the said Trustees on the subject of the claim made by them for the expenses of Sundry pauper lunatics having no legal settlement in this Commonwealth and that said Committee make report as soon as may be to the City Council... Sent down for concurrence: Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs James Eastis and Sherman.

House of Reformation

The Committee of the City Council to whom was referred the Memorial of the directors of the House of Reformation, relative to the providing of proper and suitable accommodations for that Institution, and also other papers concerning the same subject; have now agreed, in pursuance of a vote of the City Council, to make a report for the purpose of showing the progress they have made in that business. The Committee have been engaged in a negotiation with the directors of the Farm School, about to be established on Thompson's Island in Boston



Boston Harbour, a situation well adapted, in the judgment 165.  
of the Committee, to the digest and purposes of the House of Reformation. They considered it desirable to ascertain on what terms a union of the two Institutions (if one was practicable) could be effected. In this however they have not succeeded as the Directors of the Farm School are about to enter into an arrangement with the managers of the asylum for Indigent Boys. But as the Committee have not yet ascertained whether a portion of the Island cannot be obtained for the use and accommodation of the House of Reformation, they are not at this time prepared to make a final and definite report touching the several matters that have been referred to them. For the Committee Theodore Lyman Esq. Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Resolved, that the Directors of the House of Reformation be requested to report to the City Council a plan and estimates of such alterations in, and additions to the edifices appropriated to their use as they consider essential to the accommodation of that institution; or the expediency of erecting entire separate buildings, accompanied by a plan thereof. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee to whom was referred Otis  
the Petition of H. G. Otis Esquire, have examined the southern end of Grove Street and ask leave to submit the following  
order, viz. Ordered that the southern end of Grove Street be cut down and graded as far north as May Street so that

186. that the top water shall have eight or nine inches descent  
from said southerly end of Grove street to said May street,  
and that the superintendent commence the digging forth  
with... Samuel Faler. Samuel A. Eliot, Committee.

Read and accepted...

Snow  
Causeway  
Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the  
petition of Larkin Snow and others, recommend that  
Stephen S. Fuller be requested to run a prospective line of  
Causeway street, that it may be widened at some future day,  
and at such time as the new wharf build at the corner of Cause-  
way & Leverett streets. Read and accepted...

Melville  
Green & Staniford  
Streets

The Committee on the Petition of the  
Executors of the will of Thomas Melville, to be paid for land  
to widen Green and Staniford streets, recommend to the  
board to purchase so much of the land of the late Thomas  
Melville as may be wanted to widen Staniford and Green  
streets as laid down on a plan drawn by Stephen S. Fuller,  
at the same rate the whole lots to be sold at public auction.  
For the Committee - Charles Houghton. Read and accepted...

Creek  
Street

Ordered, that there be paid to James  
Cheever, the sum of three thousand seven hundred and fifteen  
dollars for one thousand seven hundred and sixty feet of land  
taken to make Creek street sixty feet wide whenever he shall  
make to the City a good and sufficient deed of the same, and  
in full for all damages.

Ordered, that there be paid to Samuel



T. McLeary, as agent and trustee to the estate of the late Nathl 167.  
Batch the sum of sixteen hundred and eighty one dollars and  
twelve cents for twelve hundred and sixty four feet of land  
taken to make Creek Street, it being in full for all damages.

Ordered, that there be paid to Jeremiah  
Bitch as agent for his sisters the sum of seven thousand one  
hundred & sixty dollars for two thousand five hundred and  
twenty seven feet of land taken to make Creek Street sixty feet  
wide, whenever they shall give a good & sufficient deed of  
the same, and in full for all damages.

Ordered that there be paid to Thomas W.  
Wales as agent to Ebenezer Frothingham's heirs nine hun-  
dred and sixty seven dollars and fifty cents for six hundred  
and twenty five feet of land taken to make Creek Street when-  
ever said heirs shall make to the City a good and sufficient  
deed of the same.

Adjourned to Tuesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> next  
4 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday the third  
day of June Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except Aldermen  
Holmes, Gurney & Green.

After the assignment the board of Industry  
proceeded Directors chosen

168. proceeded to ballot for the choice of nine Directors of the House of Industry, and upon the vote being taken, it appeared the following were chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council, vizt Richards Childs, Joseph Lewis, Aaron J. Clearstone, James Connerman, Isaac Simons, Henry Edwards, Josiah Pierce, and Moses Wheeler and Charles F. Barnard.

Message from

Common Council

Resolved

A message was received from the Common Council proposing a Convention of the two branches of the City Council on Thursday, next, at half past eight O'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a City & County Treasurer. Resolved thereupon ordered, that a message be sent to inform the Common Council, that this board concur in their proposition to form a Convention at the time and for the purpose above expressed.

Salaries City &

County Officers

An ordinance establishing salaries for the City and County Officers, passed in concurrence with the Common Council with amendments. Said amendments concurred in. Same up concurred.

Graves

May Street

Petition of William Graves and others, praying that May Street be laid out and continued through to Belknap Street. Referred to Aldermen Talbot & Eliot.

Hilloll

Engine No. 2

Complaint of William Hilloll, Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department against an Officer of Engine Company No. 2. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.



Ordered, that the committee of the South 169.  
ern district be instructed to cause all necessary repairs to "Bridges to  
be made on the easterly pier of the lower bridge to South South & Boston  
Western. Also to cause railings to be put up to the side walk,  
in the street leading to the upper bridge.

On the representation of the City Solicitor City Solicitor.  
Ordered that the City Solicitor be and he hereby is author-  
ized to advise the City that the deposition of John  
Sweetser and William Smart taken at the request of Thomas  
Helson, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1833, may be now register-  
ed and hereafter used in the same manner, as if registered  
within ninety days from the time of the taking thereof.

Doctor Schott's demand to be re- "Sweet  
munerated for the damage to his chaise, by running against  
a cart in Tremont Street near Howard Street "Hoff  
Referred  
to Aldermen Ellis and Danham.

The Committee on the petition of the Primary  
Primary School Committee for the use of ward room in the School Committee  
Hall's School house, reported; that a primary school cannot  
be established in the ward room of the Hall's School house  
without great inconvenience to the persons residing there.  
The Committee therefore recommend, that the prayer of the  
petition be not granted. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the petition of John Champlain  
G. Champlain, and others that a common sewer be laid in  
Southack

170. Southack street; reported; that an order of notice be issued returnable on Monday next. 4 Clock P.M. - Read & accepted.

Holland  
Harvard Street. The Committee on the Petition of Thomas Holland, praying, that a common sewer, be extended and laid at the lower end of Harvard street; reported, that an order of notice be issued returnable on Monday next. 4 Clock P.M. Read and accepted.

Foster  
It appearing to this board, that notice has been since receivable to the order, passed at the last meeting of this board, on the petition of William Foster & others, praying that a common sewer be laid in North Market Street. And now H. J. Oliver filed a remonstrance, against being taxed for any part of the expense of the same. Read and laid upon the table.

Hand carts  
Ordered, that no hand carts be permitted to stand in Washington street, between Court street and Wick street.

Hall  
Front Street. The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Hall and others to have Front Street continued to the City's lands on the Neck ask leave to submit the following order vizt. Ordered, that Front Street be laid out and continued on a strait line to Dyke street, fifty feet wide as soon as the proprietors of the lands over which said Street will pass shall relinquish to the City the same free of cost to the City for that purpose. Samuel Bates, Josiah Dunham, Committee Read and accepted.



Ordered, that, Aldermen Ellis & Dunham 171.  
be a committee to carry into effect the report of the City Council <sup>House</sup> <sup>House</sup>  
respecting making certain repairs to the <sup>House</sup> <sup>House</sup> School House.

Adjourned to 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the  
fourth day of June. Anno Domini 1851.

Present...

The Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, Bates, Leighton, Dunham, Eliot  
and Green...

Agreeably to assignment the board pro- <sup>Stickney's</sup>  
ceeded to hear and consider the subject of granting a license <sup>License</sup>  
to Silas Stickney, as an Innholder in Leverett Street agreeably  
to his petition. And after a full hearing and the examina-  
tion of divers witnesses, the board are of opinion that a license  
ought not to be granted to said Stickney as aforesaid...

Ordered that the ordinances, notices and papers in which  
advertisements of the City, be hereafter published until otherwise  
ordered, in the following daily newspapers of the City, are to be published.

172. vizt Daily Advertiser, Daily Centinel, Daily Commercial Gazette, Daily Courier, Daily Advertiser, Daily Atlas Morning Post, Evening Transcript and Evening Mercantile Journal, and that one half of the usual price of advertizing be paid therefor.

Adjourned to quarter past eight  
O'clock tomorrow evening.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the sixth  
day of June Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

H. Mayor. Aldermen Ellis, Bates, Ligonier and Eliot.

Ordinance  
new Edition

An order passed for the distribution  
of the new edition of the ordinances of the City. Sent down  
for concurrence. — Came up concurred.

Message

Ordered, that a message be sent to in-  
form the Common Council, that this Board are now ready  
to form a Convention for the purpose of electing a City and  
County Treasurer. — A message was received from the  
Common



Common Council stating that they are now ready to 173.  
form a convention, for the purpose above, proposed.

## In Convention

Agreeably to assignment the two Treasurers  
branches of the City Council met in convention, for the pur- Chosen.  
pose of electing a City and County Treasurer and Collector,  
for the year ensuing.

Alderman Ellis, Messrs. Shipley and  
Prevat were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count  
the votes, who reported, that the whole number was 33.

Necessary for a choice 17

Richard D. Harris, Esquire, had  
thirty three votes, and he was unanimously Chosen. The business  
of the convention being accomplished, the two branches separated.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Francis Jackson and others, against Governor  
running at large on the Stock Lands reported, that the subject be  
referred to the Board of Aldermen. - Read and accepted. -

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next four  
o'clock P.M.

174.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the ninth day of June. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Holmore.

Deputy  
Marshal

A communication was received from Francis C. Whiston resigning the office of Deputy City Marshal, as having been appointed Superintendent of the House of Reformation, and the City Marshal having nominated George Earl to supply the vacancy, which nomination was confirmed by the board.

Sealer of weights  
and measures

The board proceeded by ballot to the appointment of a sealer of weights and measures, in place of Henry Plympton who declined serving, and the votes being taken, it appeared that John M. Dearborn was chosen.

Master  
Haines

Application of Rev. Dr. Hays for a license to exhibit a menagerie of living animals at a building on Union Street. Referred to Aldermen Highton & Gurney.

Deputy

Application of John Selous, and others, praying, that the City would inclose a piece of land near the House of Industry containing about one and a half acres of land, and plant the same with trees. Referred to Aldermen Elliot and Jackson, with leave that the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Put down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs. Mesinger, Harris and Sargent.



Order of the Common Council appoint- 175.

ing Messrs Prescott, Eastis & Hastings a committee to confer, Salaries  
with such committee as may be appointed on the part of committee of  
this board in relation to the subject matter of difference between conference.  
the two branches of the City Council respecting the salaries of  
the City and County officers. Came up for concurrence. Read  
and concurred and Aldermen Eliot, Leighton and Greele  
were appointed on the part of this board.

Order of the Common Council directing the Corporation  
that there be paid to the Charitable Association of the Fire Charitable  
department, the sum of five hundred dollars, and that said Association  
amount be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.  
Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Communication and account of the State Lunatic  
Treasurer of the State Lunatic Hospital, for the board and  
charges of all the Patients in said Hospital, committed from  
the City of Boston. Referred to the Mayor, Aldermen Sales and  
Holmore, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider  
and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.  
the Common Council appointed on its part Messrs James, Eastis &  
Chapman.

Ordered, that Aldermen, Eliot, Ellis and Leighton  
Leighton, be a committee to ascertain and fix the rights of the City and  
City to the passage way and landing at or near Fosters wharf. Landing way.

Ordered, that the Committee on the Watch  
be instructed to consider the expediency of equipping the Watch  
men.

176. men agreeably to the law of the last Legislature regarding that subject.

Cows

Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis and Tunham, be a committee to consider and report upon the subject of cows running at large, on the Neck lands.

Iron  
street

Ordered, that Stephen S. Fuller, mark the westerly line of the contemplated street between the southerly end of Front street and the Dyke.

Market

Ordered, that the committee on the Market be instructed to cause the west work on the east side of Towne Hall Market House to be painted.

Champney  
Southack  
Street

"It appearing to this board, that notice has been given agreeably to the order passed on the petition of John H. Champney, & others, for a common sewer in Southack street. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said common sewer be laid as prayed for and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby, according to law.

Holland  
Howard  
street

"It appearing to this board, that notice has been given agreeably to the order passed on the petition of Thomas Holland praying, that a common sewer be laid in Howard street. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said common sewer be laid as prayed for and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby, according to law.



Petition or Memorial of the Liverpool D.J.

Wharf Corporation, claiming damage for land taken between Liverpool Wharf  
Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore and Greele. Broad Street

Petition of Joshua Winslow, to be remunerated for the damage he has sustained in consequence of taking his premises  
between Creek Street and Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore and  
Gurney.

Petition of William Hancock for leave to place  
posts to support an awning in front of his store on Cornhill. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore and Greele. Hancock  
Cornhill.

Petition of Bryant P. Tilden, for himself and the other owners of the estate called the Green houses and  
stores on Washington and South bridge streets, praying that the  
northern boundary line of their said estate may be run. Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham. Tilden

Resolved that Aldermen Ellis & Dunham, together  
be a committee with full power to settle with John T. Apthorp,  
Esquire respecting his house which was used as a Cholera  
Hospital in the year 1832.

The Committee on the application of the Primary  
School Committee, for the use of a room in the Wells School Com.  
School house, for a Primary School reported, that the use of  
said room be granted for one quarter, and on condition  
that not more than twenty five pupils shall be added  
to the whole number of children now taught in the primary  
School established in said building. Read & accepted. Wells School Com.

178.  
Graves  
May street

The Committee on the Petition of William Graves and others to have May street continued through to Belknap street, reported that they have examined the premises and recommend that May street be extended to Belknap street provided the abutters will pay all the expenses of said extension, except one thousand dollars.  
Samuel Taber Samuel A. Eliot Committee.

Read and accepted.

Bowman

The Committee to whom was referred the demand of Brooks Bowman to be remunerated the damages which he sustained in having his horse fall through Boston South bridge have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report that they find said Bowman had a very valuable horse seriously injured in falling through the Boston South Bridge. In the opinion of the committee the horse is not worth more than it has cost to keep him from the time of the injury although the horse was not on the traveling part of the bridge and there might not have been proper care on the part of Mr Bowman still he might perhaps recover damages; the committee are therefore of the opinion that it is most expedient to settle with him they therefore offer the following order. Nabes Ellis for the Committee. Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered, that there be allowed and paid to Brooks Bowman one hundred and twenty dollars in full compensation for an injury done to his horse by falling through the Boston South Bridge.



The Committee on the claim of Paul Prichard 179.  
to be reimbursed the amount of one year's taxes which he paid for Prichard  
of a house the lease of which he assigned to the City have attended  
to the subject and ask leave to Report, that they are of the opinion  
that it was the understanding on the part of Mr. Prichard, that  
the taxes were all to be paid by the City and they think it right  
and just they should be, they therefore offer the following order.  
Sabbaz Ellis for the Committee. Read, accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that there be allowed and paid to Paul Prichard  
thirty four dollars in full for taxes paid by him on the Foster  
estate so called, occupied by the City as a cholera Hospital.

The Committee appointed on the 24 March 1848  
last to report what streets, if any, are now used as common  
thoroughfares and public highways which have never been  
accepted by the city, have attended to the subject, ask leave  
to submit the following report. They have examined the  
records of the town and city with as much care as their other  
occupations would permit, and have had the satisfaction to  
find that the great majority of the streets have been regu-  
larly recorded and accepted, particularly in two descriptive  
lists which were made by order of the Selectmen in the years  
1708 and 1788. Since the latter date some of the streets in the  
ancient peninsula of Boston have been laid out and accepted  
by the proper authority, such as Poplar, Spring, Doane, Chesnut  
and Bowdoin Streets. All the streets at South Boston have  
been laid out and properly recorded according to the terms  
of the act annexing that part of Dorchester to Boston.  
The streets on what was anciently the Mill Pond are also  
recorded

180. recorded and accepted according to the agreement made with that corporation in 1807. Those on the City lands on the neck, are recorded with reference to a plan accepted in July 1826, and though not all of them made nor named, must yet be recognised as existing streets. Of these two classes of streets viz. those recorded in 1708 and 1788, and those accepted subsequently, two separate lists have been made out, with the date of the acceptance annexed; so that the accuracy of the committee can be determined by an easy reference to the records under the dates mentioned. A third list comprises those streets which though long known as public highways, some of them even as among the most ancient thorough fares in the City, have never, so far as the committee have been able to discover, been recorded, or in any formal manner accepted. In relation to most if not all of these streets, the committee are under the impression that the city will incur no new liability, whatever by accepting them. They are dedicated to the public use, and must be kept open; they must, also, under present circumstances, be kept in repair by the City, and it is not perceived that any new expense or risk will be incurred by a formal acceptance. On the other hand, a facility will be given which is in some instances, now very much needed for the enforcing of the bye laws and ordinances of the City. These have been, on some occasions, and may be, on many others, successfully resisted, for the want of a formality, which, so far as regards well known thorough fares, can have no injurious effect. The committee will not pledge themselves that parts of the streets named in the following list, or even the whole of some of them, may not have been recorded at some former period



period. In so long & tedious an examination as they have 181.  
made it is certainly to be expected that some omisions and  
errors may have occurred. But if this be the case no harm  
can ensue from a confirmation of previous acts of the town or  
the city, and it is desirable that all doubt should be removed  
respecting the authority of the City government, and their power  
of executing and enforcing their ordinances in many of the  
streets. Some of these streets have been made, in whole or in  
part, over land belonging to the City, and there can be no reason-  
able doubt of the propriety of having an ordinance in relation  
to them properly gone through. And with relation to the  
others, they have been so long known and kept open as public  
highways, that though originally made over private property,  
they have long since ceased to be so. They are and must be  
maintained by the City, and it is proper that the authority of  
the City should be explicitly recognized in them. There is  
a vast number of private courts, lanes and passage ways  
of various descriptions in the City, many of which it is burden-  
some to the proprietors to maintain in proper order, and which  
ought, of course to be kept in suitable condition. It might  
in such cases, be a convenience to both the individual owners, &  
the City, if they were offered and accepted as public highways.

In conclusion the committee submit the following  
order. Whereas the following streets, lanes and alleys have  
been heretofore used and known as public streets, lanes and  
alleys laid out for the use of the inhabitants of Boston but  
no records thereof are to be found; and whereas it is expedient  
that all doubts should be removed in relation to said streets,  
lanes and alleys - namely - Arch Street, - Belcher Lane)

W. H. H. H.

182. Belknap Street, Bread, Brighton, Bridge, Bulfinch,  
Buttrick (common to street, that part which was formerly owned  
by the Bridge Corporation), Carver Street, Central, Charles,  
Clark (common), Columbia Street, Court Street, Custom House  
Street, Eaton, Franklin, Fruit, Grove, Governor's (alley) (now  
Business Street), Green Street, Hamilton, Hawes, Lafayette  
Arena, Liberty (common), Lincoln Street, M'Lean, Margaret  
(Alley), Margaret, May, Milton, M<sup>t</sup> Vernon, (West of Belknap  
Street), Mason, Minot, Myrtle, Park, Pinckney, Robinson  
(Lane), Second, Sister, Sheafe, Short, Somerset, Somerset  
Place, South Bridge, Southwick, Spring, Spruce, Stillman,  
Unity, Vine, Walnut, Warren, Well, Wendell, Wharf,

Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the inhabitants  
of the City of Boston require, that the said several streets,  
lanes, alleys, avenues, courts, places and squares, as the same are  
now laid out, opened and used, be, and the same hereby are,  
recognized and confirmed as public streets for the use of  
the said inhabitants, and are declared to be laid out as  
such accordingly. For the Committee James C. Eliot Chair.

Read and accepted.

The following list of streets has been made from  
the ancient records of the town of Boston, in which under  
date of May 3, 1708, a list of streets is given as then existing.  
A supplementary list giving the names of some new streets,  
and the alterations made subsequently to the revolution, in the  
names of old ones, was made in July 1788, and from these cata-  
logues compared with a plan of the city drawn by William  
Price in 1720, under the direction (probably) of Geo. Belcher  
the following list of streets under their present names has



been compiled. The modern titles are given in one column, 183.  
and the ancient corresponding names in a parallel one, ex-  
cept when the names were the same.

Modern.	Ancient.
Allen Lane	1788.
Allen Street	1788.
Ann "	1708. Ann, Fish and Ship Streets
Atkinson "	1788. includes Atkinson & Gray's Lane
Avon "	1743-88. Sheep's Lane.
Barclott "	1708. White Bread Alley
Bath "	1708. Tanners Alley.
Battery "	1708. Battery Alley, Doggells Lane
Batter March Street	1708.
Beach "	1708.
Beacon "	1708.
Bedford "	1708. Pond Street & Blind Lane
Bennet " S.	1788.
Bennet " N.	1708.
Berry or Bury "	1788. Round Lane
Board Alley from Ann to H.	1708. Gallop's Alley.
Bond Street	1788. The northern part of this street was called Middlecot street, and when joined to the south- ern end, the whole was called Bond Street, the original name of the southern part.
Bowdon Square	1788.
Bygston Street	1708. Frog Lane.
Brattle "	1708. Brattle Street & Hilliers Lane
Bronsfield "	1708. Rawsons Lane.
Cambridge "	1708.
Castle "	1708.

Canary Street	1788. The upper end of the as far as the Causeway, or made land was called Mill Street.
Centre Street	1708. Paddeys Alley
Chamber .	1788.
Chardon .	1708. Part of Hawkins Street.
Charter .	1708.
Clark .	1743. on Price's plan is called Foster Lane.
Congress .	1708. Liveritts Lane from State to Water Street, and Dalton Street 1788 from Water to Milk Street.
Corn Court	1708.
Cornhill Court	1708. Church Square.
Court Street	1708. Queen Street as far as the head of Hancock Street, thence to Bowdoin Square. Cambridge Street.
Crab Lane	1708.
Creek Square	1708. includes Creek, Salt & Marsh Lanes
Cross Street	1708.
Deacon .	1788.
Dorne .	1788. Hill Street
Devonshire .	1708. Tudding Lane from State to Water Street and Boyliff's Lane from Water to Milk Street.
Dixie House Square	1788.
Dock Square	1708.
Eliot Street	1788.
Elm .	1708. King's Lane
Exchange .	1708. Shrimpton's Lane
Farmer .	1708. Long Lane.
Federal Court (Hall)	1708. Pinck. Alley.
Flagg Alley	1708. Pierces Alley
Great Street	1708.



Modern.

Ancient.

185.

Franklin Avenue	1708.	was part of the ancient Middle Street.
Friend Street	1788.	as far as Mt. Street.
Front Street as far as Beach St		Rainsford's Lane (or Ransford)
Garden Court Street	1708.	
Gibbs Lane	1708.	
Green Street	1708.	Green Lane
Greenough Lane	1708.	
Gridley Street	1708.	Gridley's Lane
Hancock Street	1788.	George Street. This street, anciently was the only one which connected Cambridge Street, with Beacon Street, and ran from its present head, around the Hancock Garden, through a part of the present Mount Vernon Street, and the southern end of W. Knapp Street.
Hanover Street	1708.	includes Hanover, Middle & North St.
Howard "	1743. 1788.	Southack's Court
Hawkins "	1743. 1788.	
Hawley "	1708.	Bishop's Lane.
Hutchman's Lane	1708.	
High Street	1708.	Cow Lane
Hollis "	1743. 1788.	
Harvard "	1743. 1788.	
Hull "	1708.	
Ivers "	1708.	Distil House Square
Kilby "	1708.	includes MacKerrell Lane & Cooper's Lane
Knoland "	1743. 1788.	
Knorrall "	1743. 1788.	
Lime Alley	1708.	
Lindale Street	1743. 1788.	
Lynde "	1743. 1788.	

- Lynn Street 1708. as far as Hudson's Point.  
 Margaret " is laid down in Price's Map but is not mentioned in the list  
 Marshall " 1708.  
 Marsh Lane - See Creek Square.  
 Merchants Row 1708.  
 Milk Street 1708.  
 Minot appears on Price's Plan to be called Carl Lane  
 Moon " 1708.  
 M<sup>r</sup> Vernon. the part between the head of Hancock Street as far as Belknap Street was included (or partly included) in a lane called in 1708 Davies Lane which ran from what is now the corner of the State House yard on Beacon and M<sup>r</sup> Vernon Street diagonally towards Hancock Street, and thence in the direction of M<sup>r</sup> Vernon Street to the water. This however was probably a mere foot path, though recorded as a public way.  
 In 1743. M<sup>r</sup> Price lays out George Street as extending from Beacon to Cambridge Street precisely in the line now occupied by Hancock, a part of M<sup>r</sup> Vernon, and a part of Belknap streets. That part of the street running up by the east end of the State House was called Centre Street, as far as Beacon Hill.  
 Myrtle Street 1788. perhaps formed a part of what was then named Warren Street.  
 North Square 1708. Clark's Square  
 Oliver Street 1708.  
 Pearl " 1788. Palmer St. (on Price's Map this is called Hutchinson Street)  
 Pitts " 1743. 1788.  
 Pleasant " 1788.  
 Portland " 1708. Cold Lane  
 Prince " 1708.



Modern	Ancient	187.
Purchase Street	1708. Belcher's Lane	
Richmond "	1708. Hood Lane; Beer Lane, &c.	
Ridgeway Lane	1788.	
Salem Street	1708. Back Street Salem Street.	
Salutation "	1708. So called from a figure used with the sign of a tavern on that passage way, which took off its hat to passers-by.	
School Street	1708.	
Seone Lane	1708.	
Scott Alley	1708. Scottow's Alley.	
Sea Street	1708. as far as Windmill Street, which was a little more southerly than the bottom of Essex Street.	
Sister Street	is laid down in Price's chart 1743. but is not named in either list 1708 or 1788.	
Sheafe Street Or Co		
Snow Hill Street	1708.	
South "	1708.	
Spring Lane	1708.	
State Street	1708. King Street	
Stanford "	1743. 1788.	
Stoddard "	1743. 1788. Silcher Lane	
Stubbury "	1708.	
Summer "	1708.	
Sun Court "	1708.	
Temple "	1788.	
Tilston "	1708. Love Lane	
Tremont "	1708. Tremont from Court to School thence to Tilston Street or Love Lane, Common Street, on Price's	

Modern

Ancient

188. Map from Frog Lane to Hollis Street, is called Clough Street...  
The part of the street from Boylston to Washington was called in  
1788. Nassau Street.

Union Street 1708.

Unity " is laid down on Price's Map but is not in the  
list of 1708.

Washington " 1708. Cornhill from the Market or

Rock square to School street, thence to Summer Street. Marlborough  
thence to Beach Street. Newbury; - thence to Front Street (Green  
Street) Orange Street; - thence to Roxbury was called Washington  
street in 1788.

Water Street 1708.

West " 1708.

Williams " 1788. Barrack Lane. - This was previ-  
ously called Round Lane, as laid down by Price 1743. & what is  
called Round Lane in the list of 1788. is called Bury Street by  
Price.

Wilson's Lane 1708. Crooked Lane

Winter Street 1708.

In the list of 1708, are the following names to which  
there is nothing now corresponding. Hogg Alley, ran from  
Washington street, a little north of the Lion Tavern to Trimont  
street, a little north of Sheaf's lane. - Flounder Lane, is partly  
taken up to the marginal street in continuation of Broad St.  
Crooked Alley, still exists as a narrow passage from High  
to Purchase street, opposite the head of Federal, but has no  
name. - Hornagain Alley, was in 1708. very near, if not exactly  
where Temple place is now. - Half square Court is the passage  
from State street, around Rogers buildings into Devonshire street.  
Fish Market is included in North Market street. Elbow  
Alley



Alley is extinct. It ran from Ann to Cross Streets nearly in 189.  
the shape of a bent arm. -- Warren Street in 1788. (since stopped  
ran from Hancock Street, directly but inclining southerly.  
Streets laid out & named, since the year 1788, viz:  
A. Street (South Boston) February 27, 1805. B. Street (South Boston)  
February 27, 1805. -- Barton Street March 15, 1828. -- Beacon Street  
continued to Mill Pond on Western Avenue September 17<sup>th</sup> 1831.  
Beverly Street (Mill Pond) August 3, 1807. -- Bowdoin St. from  
Cambridge St. to Beacon Hill (Middlecol) October 14, 1807.  
from Beacon St. to Middlecol Street, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1816.  
Blossom Street April 26, 1824. -- Broad Street June 26, 1805.  
Broad Street from the former part to Sea Street and the  
name of Sea St. changed to Broad as far as the Bridge, October  
23<sup>rd</sup> 1833. -- Brighton Street continuation of on Barton Point,  
March 15<sup>th</sup> 1828. -- Broadway (South Boston) February 27, 1805.  
Brookline (Neck) July 24, 1826. -- C. Street (South Boston) February  
27, 1805. -- Camden Street (Neck) July 24, 1826. -- Canal Street  
(Mill Pond) August 3, 1807. -- Canton Street (Neck) July 24, 1826.  
Causeway Street (Mill Pond), August 3, 1807. -- Charlestown Street  
(Mill Pond), August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. -- Chestnut Street (Neck) July 24, 1826.  
Chesnut St. (Neck) July 24, 1826. -- Clinton, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1825. --  
Concord St. (Neck) July 24, 1826. -- Cooper St. (Mill Pond) August  
3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. -- Creek Street, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1833. -- Commercial Street,  
from Long Wharf to Mill Creek, March 30<sup>th</sup> 1825. -- Comm-  
cial St. from the Creek around to Charlestown Bridge includ-  
ing Lynn Street, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1833. -- Cross Street continued  
into Mill Pond August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. -- D. Street (South Boston)  
February 27, 1805. -- Deacon St. (continued) May 18<sup>th</sup> 1829. --  
Dedham (Neck) July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. -- Doane June 11<sup>th</sup> 1806. --

190. Doan's (South Boston) Feb 27. 1805. B. Street (South Boston)  
 February 27. 1805. East Street August 3. 1735. Eighth Street,  
 (South Boston) February 27. 1805. P. Street (South Boston)  
 February 27. 1805. Fifth Street (S. Boston) Feb 27. 1805. First  
 Street (South Boston) Feb 27. 1805. Fourth St. (S. Boston) Feb 27. 1805  
 Second Street (continued to Mill Pond) August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. G.  
 Street (South Boston) February 27. 1805. Groton Street (Neck)  
 July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. H. Street (South Boston) February 27<sup>th</sup> 1805. Hanson  
 Street (Neck) July 24. 1826. Haverhill Street (Mill Pond) Aug  
 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. I. Street (S. Boston) February 27. 1805. J. St. (S. Boston)  
 February 27. 1805. Lancaster Street (Mill Pond) Aug 3. 1807.  
 Lowell Street (Neck) July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. M. Street (S. Boston) Feb 27. 1805.  
 Malden Street (Neck) July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. Morrimack Street (Mill  
 Pond) August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. Market Street (Mill Pond) Aug 3 1807.  
 Medford Street (Mill Pond) August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. N. Street (S. Boston)  
 February 27. 1805. Newlon (Neck) July 24. 1826. Ninth Street  
 (S. Boston) February 27. 1805. North Margin Street (Mill Pond)  
 August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. North Market Street March 30 1825. North  
 ampton Street (Neck) July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. O. Street (South Boston)  
 Feb 27. 1805. Rutland Street (Neck) July 24<sup>th</sup> 1826. Sea Street  
 from the old Mill Point to Bridge. Feb 20. 1825 P. Street (S. Boston)  
 Feb 27. 1805. South Street (Neck) July 24. 1826. Spauld  
 Street (Mill Pond) August 3. 1807. Poplar Street Feb. 12. 1800.  
 Railroad Street continued into Mill Pond Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. Q. Street  
 (South Boston) Feb 27. 1805. Second Street (S. Boston) Feb 27. 1805.  
 Seventh Street (S. Boston) Feb 27. 1805. Sixth Street (S. Boston)  
 Feb 27. 1805. South Margin Street (Mill Pond) August  
 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. South Market Street March 30<sup>th</sup> 1825. Springfield  
 Street October 24<sup>th</sup> 1825. Springfield Street (Neck) July 24. 1826.

Stillman



Hillman Street & Mill Pond August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. Third Street 1811.  
South Boston Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1802. Hacker Street & Mill Pond  
August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807. Traverse Street & Mill Pond August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1807.  
Turner Street March 15<sup>th</sup> 1828. Thurston Street & Neck Boston  
(Neck) Worcester (Neck) July 21<sup>st</sup> 1826.---

A.B. The streets at South Boston have been laid out and  
accepted conditionally, according to the terms of the act  
of the Legislature annexing the North east part of Dorchester  
to Boston.

The committee on the subject of naming the streets on the Neck lands  
which have not already been named made a report, as on file, which was  
read and accepted. Vide report recorded at large, page 263. ---

Neck lands  
names of streets.

Adjourned to Monday next 4<sup>o</sup> Clock

T. H.

At a special meeting of the Board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the  
twelfth day of June Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Ellis, Fales, Currier, Eliot, Crook.

A communication was received from the Fire Department  
Chief Engineer of the Fire department, stating that said de- Chief Engineer  
partment proposes to muster on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of July at  
1 o'clock P.M. on the Common for inspection and review, &  
they invite the Mayor and Aldermen to attend and inspect  
and

192. and review said department. ... Read and thereupon Ordered  
that this board do attend accordingly.

7 Broad Street  
City Marshal  
directed

Ordered, that the City Marshal be di-  
rected to ascertain and report to this board the number of  
persons now occupying houses N<sup>o</sup> 98 & 104. 7 Broad Street; and  
also the state and condition of the drains and vaults belong-  
ing to or used by the inmates of said houses.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 O'clock  
A.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the sixteenth  
day of June Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

City attorney  
and  
Siviter

The board proceeded by ballot, to the choice  
of City Attorney and Solicitor: and the vote being taken, it ap-  
peared that John T. B. [unclear] was unanimously chosen.

Went down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.



The board proceeded by ballot to the choice. 193.

of five Consulting Physicians, and the votes being taken, it appeared Consulting  
Physicians John C. Ferris Benjamin Shurtleff George Taggart Hyatt and  
John Randall and George C. Shattuck were chosen. Sent down  
for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Communication of the Agent and Engineer of the

the Boston and Providence Rail way concerning the exchange Rail way  
of land for a depot and for the extension of Eliot Street.  
Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Petition of Isaac Parker, and others, to

have Merchants Row continued through to Creek Street.  
Referred to Aldermen Loughton and Gurney.

Parker

Merchants

Row.

Order of the Common Council appropri- African  
ating twenty-five hundred dollars for the purpose of erecting School house.  
a new school house for the children of the people of colour, to  
be charged to the reserved fund. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council, directing Treasurer  
the City Treasurer to suspend further proceedings in the matter Coolidge  
of the City against Cornelius Coolidge, until the further or-  
der of the City Council. Came up for concurrence.  
Read & nonconcurred.

Order of the Common Council directing  
that the sum of fifty dollars, with interest thereon, from  
the

194. The first of December 1831 be paid to William Barry, out of any unexpended balances in the Treasury, being the balance due said Barry, on an order for four hundred dollars, passed to the City Council in October 1831 and in full discharge of all demands by him, against the City. Came up for concurrence.

Read and Non-concurred.

Water.

The Committee on the Petition of John B. and others, to have a well sunk at the corner of Merrimac & Tallant streets, reported, that, as a plan for introducing fresh water into the City is now under consideration, they deem any action of this board on the above subject, at this time inexpedient.

Read & accepted.

Hancock  
Cornhill

The Committee on the application of William Hancock for leave to place posts to support an awning in front of his store on Cornhill, reported, that the request be granted.

Read and accepted.

Liverpool

The Committee on the Petition of the Liverpool wharf proprietors of the Liverpool wharf Corporation to be paid for land taken to "read" that a committee on the part of this board be appointed to meet one in behalf of said Corporation agreeably to said petition. Read & accepted. It was then ordered, that Aldermen Wilmore & Brad be a committee for that purpose.

Firemen Ward

12.

Petition of Firemen Ward No 12, to have a bell placed on the Franklin School house. Referred to Aldermen Wilmore & Durham.



Petition of James Peirce and Willard 195.

Clough, Deputy Collectors of Taxes, for additional compensation. Pierce & Clough  
Referred to Aldermen Wetmore, Highton, and Gurney.

Petition of Elizabeth and Lydia S. Gale, Gale

to be remunerated the damage which they sustained in having Sudbury Street  
their land taken to widen Sudbury Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Wetmore and Greble.

Petition of Henry Barnes by his agent

Sotham Barnes, claiming damages in having his premises  
taken to extend Broad Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Wetmore and Greble.

Barnes

Broad Street.

Agreeably to assignment the board attended to the hearing of Cornelius Mahoney, that the board would  
hear him for the purpose of granting him an Innholder's licence.  
And after hearing said Mahoney and divers witnesses, and  
mature deliberation thereon, the board are of opinion that  
a licence ought not to be granted to said Mahoney.

Mahoney

The following persons were nominated  
and appointed special constables for one year for the purpose  
of keeping the peace in and about Broad Street. It being  
understood that they are not to serve civil process, and that  
their services being wholly voluntary, but to be paid when obliged  
to attend Court, and necessary expenses when required in the  
service of the City, and that their bonds be taken without  
sureties. vizt Michael McGeer, John Roman, Philip Jones,  
Daniel Sullivan, Charles Connelley, Andrew Anderson,  
Huck Williams, James P. Palmer, William S. Wurgess

Special  
constables

John

196. John Carroll, Thomas Lewis, Gustavus Newman, Thomas  
Garber Jr W.C. Brown and Nathaniel Francis.

### Burial Grounds

The Committee on Burial Grounds having examined this day the several cemeteries in the City respectfully report that their condition is highly creditable to the ability of the gentlemen who have had the superintendence of these receptacles of the dead. The Committee, in justice to the superintendant, feel bound to notice with especial approbation, the appearance of the South Burial Ground. The grounds have been planted with trees and shrubbery, the walks laid out with due regard to taste and convenience, and the tombs built in a style at once durable and beautiful. They cannot forbear expressing the opinion, that this cemetery, would compare favourably with similar places in our country, which are visited by the traveller for their elegance and beauty, as well as for the sacred association always connected with the dwellings of the dead. It is desirable that the walls on the North and South sides of this burial ground should be extended to meet the one on the east side and also that the cap on a part of the wall of the North Burying Ground, which is much decayed should be replaced. To effect this object the committee unanimously recommend the passage of the following orders. For the Committee Samuel Chalmers Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered, that Eight hundred dollars be appropriated for the purpose of extending the walls on the north side and south side of the South Burying Ground under the direction of the Committee on Burying Grounds. Ordered, that the Superintendent of Burying Grounds be directed



directed to notify the owners of tombs in the North Burying 197.  
Ground that the decayed caps on the wall adjoining their  
tombs be taken off and new ones be put on by said owners  
in their place, and if this is not done in thirty days from  
notice, the Superintendent will cause it to be done at his  
own expense.

The Committee of Conference on the part of Salaries  
of this board, to meet a committee of the Common Council, on  
the subject of the difference between the two bodies in the  
establishing the salaries of the officers of the City of Boston  
and County of Suffolk, have attended to that duty, and re-  
commend the following course on the subject of said difference.  
That the board recede from its amendments in the seventh  
section of the order, fixing five hundred dollars as the salary  
of the clerk of the Common Council, and insert in lieu thereof  
the sum of seven hundred dollars; that the board adhere to  
its amendments in the seventeenth and twenty second sections  
of the order; that the board recede from its amendment  
in the 23<sup>d</sup> section, proposing to fix the salary of the first as-  
sistant marshal at six hundred dollars and of the 2<sup>nd</sup> assistant  
marshal at five hundred dollars and substitute therefor the  
sum of seven hundred dollars for each; That the board adhere  
to its amendment, striking out the 25<sup>th</sup> section, and number  
the 26<sup>th</sup> as the 25<sup>th</sup>. Samuel A. Eliot. Samuel Greble, Com-  
mittee. Read, accepted, and the order amended accordingly,  
and thereupon ordered, that Aldermen Eliot, Brighten, Greble,  
be a committee to confer with such committee as may be appointed  
on the part of the Common Council relative to the subject  
matter of difference which still subsists between the two  
branches.

148. <sup>7</sup> *Business in relation to the above order. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council reconsidered its former vote and concurred with this board respecting the salary of the City Marshal, and insist in its former vote in declining the salary of the Clerk of the Common Council.*

*Adjourned to Monday next 12 o'clock  
P.M.*

*At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty  
third day of June Anno Domini 1834.*

*Present.*

*The Mayor; and the whole board of Aldermen.*

*Deputy City  
Marshal*

*Communication was received from the City  
Marshal, that with the approbation of the board he shall  
continue to employ Charles W. Wells, as one of his assistants  
during the pleasure of the board approved of the same.*

*City Marshal*

*Benjamin Pollard, Esquire, was nominated and  
appointed City Marshal for the ensuing year.*



Caleb Hayward was nominated & appointed 1899.

Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market...

Faneuil Hall Market. CLK.

Petition of Josiah Bradley and others to have Pearl Street widened.... Referred to Aldermen Holmore & Bradlee Pearl Street

The Committee on the application of Ebenezer Macomber, for a license to exhibit Wild animals at a building on Union Street, reported, that said license be granted, on paying five dollars per month.... Read and accepted.. Wild Animal

The Committee on the petition of South Lincoln and others, to have Salutation Street widened, reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petitioners.. Salutation Street

Read and accepted..

The Committee on the petition of William Gould, and others to have Clark Street continued and widened from Anne to Commercial streets, reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said Petitioners.. Gould Clark Street

Read and accepted.

Application of the Committee of arrangements for a Whig Celebration of the fourth of July next, that part of the Common may be assigned them for the purpose of erecting a suitable tent or pavilion for the occasion... Referred to the Committee on the Common with full power.. Whig Celebration 4th July

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, Holmore and Sales, with such as the Common Council may Lasayette Death of

200. may join, be a Committee to consider and report, what measures it is expedient for the City Council to take in relation to the death of General Lafayette. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Williams, Oliver, Prescott, Marrett & Hastings.

Commercial  
Street Common  
Sewer

Ordered, that public notice be given, to all persons interested, that this board will on Monday next 4<sup>th</sup> Clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of laying a common sewer in Commercial Street between the Marine Railway and Hanover Street, and assessing the expense thereof according to Law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Committee  
Ward No 12.

Ordered that the Committee of the district be excused at their own request from any further consideration of the petition of the owners of Ward No 12, to have a bell placed on the Franklin School house, and that the same be referred to the Committee on the fire department.

Coolidge

Ordered, the Common Council appointing Messrs Williams, Craft and Koulstone, a Committee to confer with such Committee as might be appointed on the part of this board, on the subject matter of difference between the two boards in the order to stay Execution against Cornelius Coolidge until the further order of the City Council. Came up for concurrence.

Read and nonconcurred.

Koulstone School  
out houses

Ordered, that a sum not exceeding one hundred and four dollars chargeable to the appropriation.



tion repairing school houses, be expended under the direction 201.  
of the committee of the district, in rebuilding two out houses  
for the use of the 73oylston School, Fort Hill.

Adin Hall's demand for land taken to Hall  
widen Green Street. Referred to Alderman Wetmore and Green Street  
Greene.

Petition of Samuel A. Pond, Guardian of Pond, Guardian of  
John Pomes to be paid for land taken to extend 7 Broad Street. Pomes, 7 Broad  
Referred to Alderman Wetmore and Greene. Read

The Committee to whom was referred the Barnes  
claim of the estate of Henry Barnes for damages sustained 7 Broad Street  
by reason of the extension of 7 Broad Street submit the following  
order. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.

Read, accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that there be paid to the estate of Henry Barnes  
deceased the sum of two hundred dollars in compensation  
for the damages by him sustained in the extension of 7 Broad  
street; provided however, that the representatives of said  
estate give to the city a sufficient discharge for all damages  
sustained either from the diminution or loss of rents or in  
any other way and secure the city from any claim on account  
of said damages by the legal representative or any other  
person.

The Committee on the Petition of William Packard  
Thimmin, in behalf of Isaac Packard, for damage in removing  
buildings from land taken for the extension of 7 Broad Street  
Report the following order viz: Ordered, that there be paid  
to

202. to Isaac Packard, one hundred and ten dollars, forty seven cents in full compensation for the materials of a certain building taken down by the City in the extension of Broad Street, the said materials having been sold and the said amount received by the City therefor. Thomas Holman, for the Committee.  
Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock  
P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the thirtieth  
day of June Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Aldermen Dunham and Gurney.

Hand cart

Stands

Ordered, that a stand for ten hand carts  
be established upon the corner of Milk and Washington streets,  
along the westerly line of said Milk street and that no hand  
cart be allowed to stand in Spring Lane or in School street, or the  
upper part of Water street.

Saubert

Application of Felix Saubert, for a license  
to sell and use a certain kind of... Referred



to Aldermen Holmore and Grede, to consider and report... 203.

Petition of Luther Parker and others, to have Eliot street continued to Church Street, and the street north thereof discontinued. Referred to Aldermen Elliot and Dunham.

Memorial of the Treasurer of the Board of Engineers of fire, praying that the Treasurer might be authorized to pay him fifty dollars, being one half of the amount of a fine paid by J. Center for a breach of the law regulating the safe keeping of Gun Powder. Referred to the Committee on the fire department.

Petition of John Harrington for a license to exhibit as a ventriloquist at the Federal Street Theatre. Referred to Aldermen Holmore and Grede.

Lewis Dennis, and Adin Hall's demand Dennis Hall for land taken to widen Green & Staniford Streets. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Burney.

The Committee on the petition of James Pierce and Willard Clough, deputy collectors of taxes for additional compensation, reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petition.

Ordered, that the Watchmen shall continue to carry the staff now borne by them, except on those occasions when otherwise directed by the Mayor, when they shall carry a staff without a bill attached to it.

Tracy's Insurance Co. Tracy's Fire and Marine Insurance Company for land tax  
Company Washington to widen Washington Street. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and  
Street Dunham.

Commercial  
Street - Common  
Sewer.

It appearing to this board, that notice has  
been given, and subject to the order, signed at the last meeting,  
declining the expediency of laying a common sewer in Commer-  
cial Street between the Marine Railway and Hancock Street.  
And now no person appearing to object, it is hereupon ordered,  
that said common sewer be laid, and the expense thereof paid  
by the city, and the same be done, and the same be done, according  
to law.

Crack Street

Ordered, that there be paid to Mr. John  
Jones twelve hundred ninety-eight dollars and thirty cents in  
full for three hundred and ninety-nine feet of land taken to  
make Crack Street sixty feet wide and the further sum of three  
hundred and seventy-five dollars for damages sustained in the  
building of the said street to be paid said Jones whenever he  
shall make to the city a good and sufficient deed and in full  
of all damages.

Marquette

The Committee appointed to consider and report  
upon measures it is expected in the City Council to adopt in  
relation to the death of General La Fayette, have agreed to report  
the following resolutions. In the committee

Theodore Lyman Jr.

Whereas the unexpected intelligence of the death of  
General La Fayette was received by the citizens of Boston  
with these immediate and spontaneous manifestations of  
public grief and respect, usual and customary in communities



under extraordinary and unlooked for affliction and bereavement. And whereas the City Council of the City of Boston have now convened for the purpose of making a public and solemn record of those feelings and sentiments which this event has excited in the minds of the Citizens of Boston Resolved, as the sense of the said Council, that the Citizens of Boston fully participate in those emotions of deep and heartfelt grief with which the death of General Lafayette is now lamented by the whole American People...

Resolved, as the sense of the said Council, that the services which General Lafayette rendered this Country during the Revolutionary war the interest that he ever manifested in the success of the political institutions of the Republic; and the regard and sympathy at all times expressed by him for the welfare of the Citizens, entitled him during his life to the warmest applause and gratitude of the American people and will now render his memory forever dear and precious in their sight.

Resolved, as the sense of the said Council, that the labours and endeavours of General Lafayette in the cause of liberal institutions have not been surpassed, and his sufferings, losses & sacrifices in the same great work have not been equalled by those of any other individual...

Resolved, that it be recommended to the members of the City Council, and to the Citizens to wear a badge of mourning on the left arm to the place of their residence until the passing of this resolution, being the 2<sup>d</sup> of July...

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to deliver a notice to the family of General Lafayette, and at the same time transmit a copy of the above recited resolutions... That accepted

and

206. and the resolutions passed. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred.

Phillips  
Hayweigher

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Phillips, Hayweigher, report, that they find that it is a convenience to many people to have the southern scales continued; they also find that the petitioner attended them with the expectation that he was to receive two hundred dollars per year in addition to the fees collected they therefore offer the following order vizt Ordered; that there be allowed to be paid to Samuel Phillips Hayweigher at the southern scales, the sum of fifty dollars in addition to the fees received by him to the sum of five hundred dollars and the same to be drawn from the reserved fund. They also recommend the passage of the following amendment to the order fixing the salaries of the City and County officers for the present financial year. That there be paid to the weigher of Hay and other articles at the southern scales near Charles Street in addition to the fees received by him the sum of two hundred dollars provided that the whole amount received shall not exceed five hundred dollars per annum. For the Committee Jabez Ellis Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.

Read and Non-concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next 11  
o'clock & P. M.



At a Special meeting of the board of 207.  
Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Friday  
the fourth day of July, Anno Domini 1834.

... Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder  
man Bates.

Ordered, that the Mayor and Aldermen Crator  
be requested to present the thanks of the City Council, to 4<sup>th</sup> July  
Richard S. Fay, Esquire, for the eloquent and spirited oration thanks to.  
delivered by him this day at their request, upon the anniversary  
of American Independence and to request a copy for the press

Ordered, that the Mayor and Aldermen  
be requested to appoint a suitable Gentleman to deliver an  
oration on the next anniversary of American Independence,  
wherein shall be considered the manners, feelings and principles  
which led to that auspicious event.. Passed in Common  
Council... Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next

Attest ... H.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the seventh day of July. Anno Domini 1834, according to adjournment, & adjourned to 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the eighth day of July. Anno Domini 1834.

Present

Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman

Bradlee

Franklin

Strat.

Petition of Joseph P. Bradlee, and others, to have Franklin street widened at the corner of Hawley street. Referred to Aldermen Helmore and Gracie.

Saubert

Mechanical

Theatre.

The Committee on the Petition of Felix Saubert for a license to exhibit at Julien Hall his Mechanical Theatre, reported, that a license be granted for every night, in the week except Saturday and Sundays, he paying therefor five dollars a week.

Read and accepted.

Henshaw Collector of Customs, Deer Island.

Communication from David Henshaw, Esquire, Collector of the port of Boston &c stating that an appropriation has been made by Congress for building a beacon or monument on Deer Island point, and that he has been directed by the Treasury department to it to be built, and he requests that permission be granted to erect the same on the flat of said Island.



Island, belonging to the City if it should be found necessary. 209.  
Referred to the committee on Quarantine.

The Committee on the Petition of Josiah Wadsworth and others, to have Pearl Street widened, reported, that public necessity or convenience do not require that said street should be widened as requested by the petitioners.

Petition of Ephraim Marsh, praying the City to accept Fayette Street. - Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham. Marsh  
Fayette Street.

Petition of Charles H. Durant, for permission to inclose a piece of land at the bottom of the Common for the purpose of placing his apparatus, preparatory to his ascension with a balloon. - Referred to the committee on the Common. Durant  
Balloon.

Communication received from the City of New York, regarding the office of hay weigher at the Southern scales, on the 21<sup>st</sup> instant. - Read and filed.

Petition of Samuel Phillips, praying that such allowance may be made him as may be deemed just, for his services as hay weigher at the Southern scales. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham, with instructions to consider the expediency of discontinuing the scales from the Southern district. Phillips  
Hay weigher.

Memorial of Luke Brooks, in relation to taking a part of a building occupied by him to widen Elm Street. Referred to Aldermen Titmore and G. etc. Brooks  
Elm Street.

Carte  
Mortgage

The City Treasurer and Auditor having  
certified that the two bonds secured by mortgages of Elijah S.  
Curtis to the City, have been fully paid both principal and  
interest, one for five hundred and forty dollars, recorded  
with Suffolk deeds Lib 348. fol. 140. The other recorded same  
book folio 139. Thereupon Ordered, that the Mayor be autho-  
rized and requested to discharge said mortgages on the record.

Shoddard's  
Claim

Sarah Shoddard's claim for land taken  
to make Creek Street. Referred to the City Solicitor to ex-  
amine her title.

Weatherbee  
Broad Summer  
Street

The Committee on the application of Elijah  
Weatherbee for leave to build arches under the sidewalk  
in front of his house corner of Broad and Summer Street.  
Reported, that the same be granted. Read & accepted.

Smith  
Canal Union  
Streets

The Committee on the application of Ebenezer  
Smith for leave to erect arches under the sidewalk Canal  
and Union Street, reported that the same be granted.  
Read and accepted.

Guild  
Creek Street

Memorial of Susan Guild, concerning  
land taken from her estate to make Creek Street. Referred  
to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

House of  
Industry

Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis, Dunham  
and Elliot, with such as the Common Council may join be a  
committee to consider the expediency of making alterations in  
the House of Industry, according to the appropriation appro-  
priately.



ionally made for that purpose. Sent down for concurrence. 211.  
came up concurred and the Common Council joined on  
its part. Messrs Rice Gray & Reed.

The Committee on the Petition of John Harrington  
Harrington, for a license to exhibit as a "Ventriloquist", reported "Ventriloquist".  
that a license be granted on paying on to the City \$100 P.

Read and accepted.

The Committee to whom was referred the Hall & Dennis  
applications of Adin Hall and Louis Dennis, for compensation Green & Staniford  
for land taken to widen Staniford and Green Streets, ask leave  
offer the following orders. For the Committee Charles Leighton.

Read, accepted and thereupon

Ordered, that there be paid to Adin Hall, Nine hundred  
seventy two dollars and <sup>57</sup>/<sub>100</sub> for six hundred thirty five feet  
eight inches of land taken to widen Staniford and Green  
Streets whenever he shall give to the City a good and sufficient  
bond of the sum.

Ordered, that there be paid to Louis Dennis, one thousand  
and fifty nine dollars and twenty seven Cents, for six hundred  
ninety two feet four inches of land taken to widen Staniford and  
Green Streets whenever he shall make to the City a good and  
sufficient bond of the same.

The Committee on the notice of Elizabeth Gale  
and Lydia S. Gale, respecting their land taken to widen Sudbury Street  
Sudbury Street, report the following order. viz.

Ordered, that there be paid to Elizabeth Gale and Lydia S.  
Gale, the sum of three hundred dollars in full for all  
damages

212. damages be them sustained by reason of the taking by the  
city of a certain piece of land belonging to said Elizabeth  
and John to wit the land lying West in the year 1811.  
According and Elizabeth and John put to the city a  
sufficient deed thereon. For the Committee, Thomas Holmwood.  
Read and accepted.

Land Guardian  
of John

The Committee on the Petition of Samuel  
Land Guardian of John to be paid for land taken  
to wit the piece of land West of the line of the  
and then the land was taken by the city  
from the estate of John to wit for purpose of extending  
West Street, but that said estate has suffered no damage  
thereby and that said John is therefore entitled to com-  
pensation thereon. For the Committee Thomas Holmwood.  
Read and accepted.

Engineers

The Committee on the fire department  
to whom was referred the petition of the Treasurer of the  
Engineers of said department praying that fifty dollars be  
paid to the amount of a fine which was paid by an  
individual for keeping gun powder contrary to law may be  
paid to the Treasurer of the fire department for the  
order that there be paid to David Kimball Treasurer  
of the Board of Engineers the sum of fifty dollars being the  
property of a gun collected for a breach of the powder law  
accruing under a law of the Commonwealth. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next 2 o'clock P.M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen 213.  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of July, Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Petition of Joseph Ballard, and others, Ballard  
to have Ash Street continued through to Townsend Street, referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Petition of John F. Eliot, and others, Eliot  
to have the new street laid out over the Mill Creek called Blackstone  
Blackstone Street. Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Curney.

The Committee on the Petition of Ephraim Marsh  
Marsh, to have the City accept Fayette Street, Reported; Fayette Street  
that the same be accepted accordingly. Read & not accepted.

The Committee on the petition of David Henshaw  
David Henshaw, Esquire, Collector of the Port of Boston, Deer Island  
for permission to place a monument on Deer Island  
point, reported that permission is granted.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Masters of the Franklin Franklin  
School House, to have lightning rods placed on said school house.  
house. Referred to the committee on the fire department.

214.

Ordered, that the committee on burial grounds be instructed to consider and report upon the ground expediency of providing another burial ground for the Roman Catholics.

Durant

The Committee on the Common, reported, that they had given permission to M<sup>r</sup> Durant to inclose a piece of land on the back bay, for his apparatus &c for the purpose of appending with a balcon... Accepted...

Hildreth  
Creek Street

Petition of Augustus Hildreth to submit his demand against the City, for taking his land to make Creek Street, to a mutual reference. Referred to Aldermen Lighton and Garney.

Hentworth  
Creek Street

Petition of Philip Hentworth, to be paid for land taken from him to make Creek Street. Referred to Aldermen Lighton and Garney.

Dyer

Petition of J<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Dyer, claiming damages for removals from his yard, that on Dyer's Street. Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham.

Wayner

Creek Street

Ordered, that there be paid to John Wayner, on or before the 15th day of August next the sum of nine hundred and fifty nine dollars and ten cents, for land taken from him to make Creek Street, whenever he shall make to the City a good and sufficient deed of the same.



The Committee on the fire department, re- 213.  
ported that they have heard H. C. Hudson and the officers of Engine No. 13 and being satisfied that the conduct of Hudson has been disorderly and injurious to the fire department, the committee recommend that a new certificate should not be granted him. Read and accepted.

Communication from the City Solicitor re- City Solicitor  
specting an execution in favour of the City against Cornelius Coolidge. Read and thereupon ordered, that the City Solicitor be authorized to make a deduction of the interest which has accrued upon the annual interest, provided said Coolidge shall pay the balance of said execution.

The Joint Committee of the City Council, Whittemore  
empowered to purchase certain estates on behalf of the City,  
Report that they have purchased by a vote of three yeas  
of the Committee, an estate of Benjamin F. Whittemore on  
Creek Street for the sum of nine thousand six hundred and  
twenty five dollars, with interest on said sum from the first  
day of April last. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.

Read, accepted and thereupon  
Ordered, that there be paid to Benjamin F. Whittemore  
nine thousand six hundred and twenty five dollars, and  
interest from the first day of April last. the said sum  
and interest to be paid said Whittemore for seven eighths of  
an estate held by him in common with others and situated  
at the corner of Marshall, Hanover and Creek Street, said  
Whittemore to make to the City a good and sufficient deed  
of

216. of the land now in suit of damages payable on or before  
the fifth day of August next...

Lewis  
Creek Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Lewis, have heard the party in that case. It appears probable (though Mr Fuller himself has no distinct recollection of the fact) that a mark was placed by him on an old building standing on the estate of said Lewis on Creek Street which building it would be necessary to remain in order to complete the line of said street to a uniform width of sixty feet, as was directed to be done by an order of the Board of Aldermen, October 17<sup>th</sup> 1833. Allowing the fact as alleged to be correct it does not appear that the mark was put in said building by an order of the Board of Aldermen or of any committee of said board or at the request or under the instructions or care with the knowledge of said Lewis. But Mr Lewis having been told by a gentleman at that time occupying the building that the mark then referred to, was put on by Mr Fuller, proceeded at once, having removed the old, to erect a new structure according to a line drawn through the said mark. The only reason that Mr Lewis appears to have had to consider his mark as designating the line was the fact he was informed it was put in the building by Mr Fuller coupled with the remark said to have been made by Mr Fuller's assistant at the time that the building was to be cut off to the extent then indicated. These the Committee believe are the principal facts in the case. Into which it appears that Mr Lewis has been led into an error concerning the line of the street though no blame as to the City Council.



person acting under its authority, Mr Lewis, himself, took 217.  
no steps to ascertain the line, though an ordinance of the city  
requires that every person intending to build, shall give notice  
of such intention to the Mayor & Aldermen in order that en-  
croachments on the public highways may be seasonably pre-  
vented. No ordinance can be made truly founded in the  
public good and convenience. In the present case a part  
of a building has been put on the street on the property of  
the public in consequence of the mistake of an individual.  
The public good and the law require that both the obstruc-  
tion should be removed, and the public put again in poss-  
ession of their property. The committee therefore report  
the following order. For the committee Theodore Lyman Es.

Read, accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that notice be sent to John Lewis that a building  
now erecting by him on the corner of Mansover and Creek  
streets encroaches on the line of said Creek Street and that  
said Lewis cause said obstruction to be removed.

The committee to whom the petition of Harrington.  
Joseph Harrington, Esquire in relation to an injury sustained  
by his horse falling through the Boston South Bridge, and  
referred have attended to the subject and ask leave to  
Report that his horse did receive some considerable in-  
jury by falling through said Bridge, they therefore ask leave  
to offer the following order viz<sup>t</sup>. Ordered, that there be  
allowed and paid to Joseph Harrington, Esquire, thirty dol-  
lars in full compensation for an injury sustained by his horse  
falling through the Boston South Bridge. - Read and accepted

218.

The Committee on the Petition of John Whitwell & others to have the gravel removed from Milk Street. Milk Street report that the interest of the City do not permit that the gravel should be removed from Milk Street as requested by the petitioners, as the permanance of the paving would be much affected thereby. They have however directed it to be removed from the gutters where it could be done with safety. for the Committee Thomas Wetmore.  
Read and accepted.

Inspectors  
Chimney

When a complaint of the Chief Engineer of the fire department and the certificate of Messrs. Joseph Little and Solomon Rogers who were appointed upon said complaint to examine the Chimney of a dwelling house of Mrs Sarah Gashwood, situated in Pinckney Street, declaring the same to be defective and dangerous; thereupon Ordered, that said Sarah Gashwood be notified and directed to take down said Chimney within one week, from the date hereof & in case of neglect by said Sarah; it is further ordered, that said Chimney shall be taken down by this board and the expense of the same be charged to said Sarah, according to Law and that the City Mar. be directed to carry the foregoing orders into effect.

State Lunatic  
Hospital

The Committee concerning the accounts of the Treasurer of the State Lunatic Hospital with the City of Boston, that the charges in said account, are in the judgment of the Committee, just and reasonable and the Committee recommend that the account be allowed and paid



paid. And inasmuch as there is no special appropriation 219.  
for this purpose, the Committee further recommend that the  
accounts thus paid be charged to the reserved fund. For the  
Committee Theodore Lyman Jr. Read and accepted.  
sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock

P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty  
first day of July Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Communication of the Commissioner for the Public Lands  
sale of Public Lands, respecting the draining the Neck lands on the  
eastern side of Washington Street. Referred to the committee on  
public lands on the part of this board.

The Committee on the petition of fire men Fire men  
Ward No 12, to have a bell placed on the Franklin School house, Ward No 12.  
reported, that a bell weighing about 400 pounds to be rung only  
in case of fire, has been placed on said school house.

Read and accepted.

The following persons were nominated  
 and agreed to be the members of the committee  
 on the part of the House of Representatives.  
 James C. Smith, John C. Smith, John C. Smith, George H. Smith,  
 John Reed; Samuel C. Reed; Gerastus Clapp; William Loring;  
 George H. Smith; William H. Smith; William H. Smith;  
 William H. Smith; William H. Smith; William H. Smith;  
 Josiah Baldwin, and Richard Hovey.

Robbins Petition of Charles Robbins master of the  
 of Correction. the Committee on the Jail and the House of Correction.

Gray Petition of John Gray for leave to dig a  
 corner that will in "Cannon Street." Referred to Aldermen Holmes &  
 Greble, with full power.

Hickson Petition of Thomas Hickson to be  
 Ann Street paid for land taken to widen Ann Street near the north  
 square. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Whelwright Memorial of Sol Whelwright for himself  
 and the firm of "Whelwright & Co." respecting their  
 land taken to widen Cannon Street. Referred to Aldermen  
 Ordered, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their  
 petition.

Clark Petition of Enoch W. Clark of the firm  
 of Mr. M. Allen & Co. occupant of the north east basement room  
 in the City Hall, praying that the old lease to said firm  
 may



may be cancelled, and a new one made out in his name. 221.

Referred to the Committee on public buildings on the part of this board.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, School Leighton and Greck, be a committee of arrangement to provide dinner a School dinner, on the day of the annual exhibition of the public schools in August next.

Ordered, that the subject of the filling up the Channel near Deer Island point by the wash of the sea, be referred to the committee on Quarantine, with instructions to consider and report what measures it is expedient to take respecting the same. Deer Island. Point.

Petition of William Wilkins, that arbitrator be appointed to settle the amount of damage for taking his land to make the new street over the Mill Creek. Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Lurney. Wilkins Creek street.

The Committee on the petition of F. M. Dyer, to be compensated for removing his oyster shop from Boylston street, reported that the petitioner has not any claim on the City. Read and accepted. Dyer Boylston street.

The City Marshal returned, that he had given notice to Sarah Fashwood agreeable to the order of the last meeting of this board. Fashwood

222.

Chestnut  
Street

Ordered, that notice be given to all persons interested, that this board will on Monday, next 7 1/2 o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of laying a new sewer, in the lower part of Chestnut Street and assessing the expense thereof according to law, upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Sheriff Sumner's  
account

The Committee on Sheriff Sumner's account, reported, that the same be allowed, and that the blank for taking care of the jail be filled with Twenty dollars.  
Read and accepted.

Engine Company  
No. 10.

Communication of the Chief Engineer of the fire department, concerning Engine Company No. 10.  
Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Phillips  
Hay scales, Southern  
district

The Committee to whom the was referred the Southern Hay scales, petition of Samuel Phillips, for compensation for lending the Southern Hay scales, with instructions to consider and report on the expediency of discontinuing said scales, have attended to the subject and ask leave to Report that in the opinion of the Committee it is inexpedient to close said scales for the present, and for the good reason set forth in the petition the Committee recommend there be allowed and paid to the petitioner one hundred dollars the committee therefore ask leave to offer to Samuel Phillips one hundred dollars, it being full compensation for lending the Southern Hay scales for the last of January to the same date. For the Committee to lay on the table and pass the same as the subject of allowing



additional compensation to the late weigher not accepted. 223.

The board proceeded by ballot to the Hay weigher  
choice of weigher of hay for the Southern district, and the  
votes being taken it appeared that Ebenezer Clough was  
chosen in place of Samuel Phillips resigned... Sent down for  
concurrence..... Came up & concurred.

Nathaniel R. Whitaker was licensed as an Auctioneer  
Auctioneer, and his bond approved.

The Committee to whom the Petition of Silden  
Bryant S. Silden was referred, praying, that the line be-  
tween the estate of the late Deacon William Brown and the  
land of the City may be ascertained, have attended to the  
subject and ask leave to Report, that from the best infor-  
mation the committee can obtain, the line commences at  
the northwest corner of the place on the said Brown estate  
and runs thence running a line near hundred and  
fifty three feet to a point thirteen feet eight inches from the  
southwest corner of the Boston South Bridge said line being  
parallel with the northerly line of the lot sold by the City  
on the north side of Bridge Street A.D. 1828 from the above  
mentioned point the said parallel line extends over the flats  
about nine hundred feet to low water mark leaving to the  
City a piece of flats between the above described line and  
the Boston South Bridge measuring at low water mark  
seven feet three inches and at the westerly end of said  
Bridge thirteen feet eight inches containing by estimation  
twenty,

224. twenty, seven thousand three hundred and seventy, five, square  
feet and also a strip of land between the above described line  
and the southerly line of Bridge Street, measuring at the  
westerly end of said Bridge nine feet eight inches and  
running to a point at the first mentioned bounds at  
Washington Street contains by estimation two thousand  
one hundred and ninety square feet. For the Committee

Sabaz Ellis

Read & accepted.

Suffolk Bank  
Corn Court

The Committee on the petition of the Suffolk  
bank for a new common sewer in Corn Court, report, that  
an order of notice be issued for all persons to appear at 10 o'clock  
P.M. on Monday next and shew cause why the prayer of the  
petitioners should not be granted - For the Committee, The Witness

Read and accepted.

Carver Street

Resolved, that the whole board do visit Carver  
Street, tomorrow morning eight o'clock.

& Adjourned to Monday next half  
past seven o'clock P.M.



At a special meeting of the board of 223.  
Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday  
the twenty-second day of July, Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore, Fales and Grier.

The board having visited Carver Street, after Carver Street  
wards assembled at City Hall.

Ordered, that the Committee of the District Carver Street  
(Aldermen Ellis and Dunham) be instructed to cause the edge  
stone in Carver Street to be laid in a straight line.

Adjourned to Monday next half past  
seven o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty  
eighth day of July, Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder-  
man Wetmore.

Order of the Common Council, directing Ordinances  
that a copy of the revised ordinances of the City, be sent to  
such members of the last City Council who are not members

226. of the present. - came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Auctioneers

Walter A. Alexander, Lucidige Haskins, Jos. L. Cunningham and George L. Delois licensed as auctioneers and their bonds returned.

Jail & House of  
Correction

The Committee on the Jail and House of Correction to whom was referred the petition of the Master of the House of Correction to have his salary raised, reported an order directing that the salary of said master be raised to one thousand dollars per annum from and after the termination of the present quarter. - Sent down for concurrence.

Cotton

Friend Street

It appearing to this board that notice has been given on the petition of Benjamin Cotton and others to have a common sewer laid in Friend Street from Merrimac Street, and now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid in Friend Street from Merrimac Street, as far as it may be deemed advisable, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law, upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Chestnut Street &

Corn Court.

Also that notice has been given to all persons interested agreeably to the orders passed at the last meeting, upon the expediency of laying new common sewers in the lower part of Chestnut Street; and in Corn Court and no person appearing to object it is thereupon ordered, that said sewers be laid and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby according to law.



The Committee on the petition of Augustus 227.  
Hildreth, to have his demand against the City for land taken  
to make Creek street reported, that it is not expedient to leave  
the same to referees. — Read and accepted.

The Committee on the petition of William Wilkins  
Wilkins, to have his demand against the City for land taken  
to make Creek street submitted to referees reported in favor  
of the same. — Read and not accepted.

Ordered, that there be paid to Samuel T. Balch's heirs  
McCleary, trustee under the will of Nathaniel Balch deceased, Creek Street  
Fiftyone dollars and seventythree cents being the amount received  
for the sale of an old building, belonging to said estate, which  
sum was paid into the Treasury through mistake.

Remonstrance of Madison Beal, and Beal  
others against having the new African School house placed on African School  
Southack street. — Read and referred to the Joint committee House.  
on building said school house, to consider and report. Sent  
down for concurrence. — Came up concurred.

Ordered that the committee of the South Boston  
district be instructed to report estimates of the cost of re-Market House  
moving or cutting off two wooden buildings opposite Boston  
Market house, for the purpose of widening Washington street.

Application of Doct. George Parkman. Parkman  
that a mortgage given by a Mr. Courtin may be assigned to Courtin's mortgage  
him

228. him, upon payment of the principal and interest due the City thereon. Read and thereupon Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of assignment of the same accordingly.

Mountfort  
non compos  
mentis.

On requisition of the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, that inquisition be made, as to the estate of mind of Joseph Mountfort of Boston, Cooper, who has been represented as a person non-compos Mentis, and incapable of taking care of himself. Read and thereupon Ordered, that the said Joseph Mountfort be notified to appear before this board, on Monday next at half past seven o'clock P.M. and shew cause, if any he have, why he should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid, in order that a guardian be appointed to him according to law.

Apthorp

The Committee on the Petition of John J. Apthorp, to be indemnified for the damage in taking his house, and using the same as a Cholera hospital, contrary to the terms of his lease to Paul Richard, with quiet power to settle the same by a reference, have attended to the subject by appointing Henry Turnham, Esquire on the part of the City and John Wells, Esquire was appointed by said Apthorp. The said referees met and heard the parties, their award allowing to said Apthorp, Three hundred dollars is herewith transmitted. The Committee therefore now leave to offer the following order viz. Ordered, that there be allowed and paid to John J. Apthorp, Esquire, on or after the fifth of August next three hundred dollars in full compensation for all claims the said Apthorp has against Paul Richard



for transferring a lease of said. Apthorp's estate at the corner of Tremont and Boylston streets to the City, to be used as a Cholera Hospital and also for all damages the said Apthorp may have sustained by the said estate being used for the above named purpose by the City. For the Committee

1843 (1844)

Read & accepted.

The Committee on the Petition of Hannah Taylor  
Taylor to be paid for land taken to make Creek Street  
Report, that the City have taken nine hundred and fifty feet of land from her estate to widen Creek Street have removed back the buildings thereon and repaired the same, there is left of the same lot, Four thousand six hundred and forty six feet, well situated, and in the opinion of your committee greatly benefited thereby, the committee therefore are of the opinion that she has suffered no damage by the City's taking her land and is not entitled to any compensation or damages.

For the Committee Charles Leighton.

Read & accepted.

The Committee on the petition of Susan Guild  
Guild, to be paid for land taken to make Creek Street;  
Report, that after mature consideration they have come to the conclusion, that the award of the commissions is sufficient to pay for all damages she has sustained by the City's taking her land bounding on the Old Mill Creek, and ask leave to offer the following order vizt Ordered, that there be paid to Susan Guild or to her assigns the sum of

230. sum of sixteen hundred and fifty eight dollars and twenty cents in full for eleven hundred and thirteen feet of land taken to make Creek Street, when ever she shall give to the City a good and sufficient deed of the same and in full for all damages. For the Committee Charles Lighter.  
Read and accepted.

Writings

. C. Street

The Committee on the Petition of North  
East and West the other street may be extended to  
Bennett Street have attended to the subject and ask leave to  
Report the following Resolution. Passed, Ordered the Committee  
Resolved that the safety and convenience of the inhabitants  
require that a street should be opened from the northerly  
end of Ash street so called to Bennett Street; the southeasterly  
line of said street to be on a straight line from the northwesterly  
corner of the brick house of Elijah Corey on Ash street to a point  
on Bennett Street eleven feet from the northwesterly corner of  
a brick house belonging to the heirs of the late Peter Trott; the  
street to be thirty feet wide from the above described line, taking  
from the heirs of said Trott, four hundred and eighty eight square  
feet of land and from the heirs of the late Samuel Payson one  
hundred and thirty four feet as per plan by Stephen P. Butler.  
The above resolve passed, with the following amendment viz  
Provided that said street shall not be opened until a good  
and sufficient deed be given to the City, of the land taken  
from the above estate the City paying therefor four hundred  
dollars. And Provided also that said deed shall be given  
within thirty days from the passing of this resolve.  
Alderman Ellis gave notice that at the next meeting he  
should.



should move a reconsideration of the vote to amend said 231.  
resolves.

The Joint Committee of the House of Industry  
and report on the expediency of making alterations and im-  
provements in the House of Industry; reported on the expedi-  
ency of making alterations and improvements in the house  
of Industry; - unanimously recommend the same to be done,  
and that a committee be done; and that a committee be appoint-  
ed to carry the same into effect. For the Committee, John Eliot.

Read accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis, Dunham and Eliot with  
such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to  
carry the same into effect. - Sent down for concurrence. - Came  
up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Mr.  
Rice, Green and Reed.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 Clock

1. 16.

At a special meeting of the board of  
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday  
the thirtieth day of July Anno Domini 1854.

Present--

The Mayor - Aldermen Ellis, Bates, Saighton and Grede.

The Committee to whom was referred the  
claim of Charles Hall and Sarah Hansen for remunera-  
tion

232 lion for certain parcels of land taken by the City in the  
laying out Clinton street and other improvements connects  
with the new market ask leave to Report that the claim-  
ants have established their title to the several parcels  
of land hereafter mentioned vizt. firstly to two eighteenth  
parts of three thousand six hundred and thirty two feet  
of land taken and sold by the City to John E. Williams, and  
in relation to this it appears that an agreement was  
made between the City and Charles Hall and Sarah Hansen,  
by which the City agreed to pay them the same sum, that  
it might sell the same for & that it did sell the said land  
to John E. Williams for one dollar and fifty cents per foot  
the whole amount being Fifty four hundred and forty eight  
dollars and that two eightieths of the said sum are now  
due the claimants. The next claim is for two eightieths  
of four several parts of lots sold different individuals on  
North Market street containing in the whole one thousand  
and seventy three feet. Your Committee are of opinion that  
this claim should be settled like the former, the City having  
the same amount that it received, and the said parts of lots  
having been sold for Nine thousand seven hundred ninety  
six dollars and fifty cents the claimants are entitled to two  
eightieths of said sum. The next claim is for two eightieths  
of Seventeen hundred and eighty four feet taken to make a  
part of Clinton street & now included in said street and  
the Committee are of opinion that the claimants having suffered  
no damage by reason of said taking, are not entitled to any  
recompense therefor. The Committee are further of opinion  
that interest ought to be paid on the sums allowed from the  
time



time when the City received the several payments made for said lands and they therefor submit the following order.  
For the Committee Thomas Holmes. Read, weighed & then upon.  
Ordered, that there be paid to Charles Hall and Sarah Hansen to be equally divided between them the sum of two thousand and four hundred and twenty dollars, on or before the fifth day of August next to be in full for all damages received by said Hansen and Hall by reason of the City's taking certain parcels of land to them belonging on Clinton and North Market Streets. Provided they give a sufficient deed therefor.

Adjourned to Monday next 7<sup>th</sup> Clock

P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the fourth day of August Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council making Goodridge an allowance and settlement with Cornelius Goodridge respecting land purchased of the City some years since. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to Aldermen Holmes, Brighten and Greele, to consider and report.

James H. Allen, William Andrews, Charles  
 Allen, John C. Benson, Stephen Brown, Isaac Field, Edward  
 H. Hall, Daniel Hersey, Tristram B. Mackay, George New-  
 comb and Frank Stratton, licensed as auctioneers and their  
 bonds approved.

Commons  
 Eliot street

Petition of Samuel Emmons, and others  
 that a common sewer be opened in Eliot street. Read and there-  
 upon ordered, that an order of notice be issued in the usual  
 form, returnable on Monday next.

Washington  
 street

Ordered, that an order of notice be issued  
 in the usual form, returnable on Monday next, respecting  
 the laying a common sewer in Washington to connect with  
 the common sewer in Eliot street.

Mountfort  
 Non compos  
 mentis.

It appearing to this board, that notice has  
 been given to Joseph Mountfort, agreeable to the order passed  
 on Monday next. And it appearing by the certificate of  
 the McLean Asylum, that he is an inmate of that establish-  
 ment and that he is insane. And after the examination under  
 oath of divers witnesses, and mature deliberation being there-  
 on had, the board are of opinion, that said Mountfort is  
 a person non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of  
 himself and a certificate was signed to that effect addressed  
 to the Judge of Probate, in order that a guardian may be ap-  
 pointed to the said Mountfort according to law.



The Committee on the Petition of David 235

Vinal, and others, to have the common sewer cleaned and repaired. Vinal  
laid in North Russell street, reported, that an order of notice North Russell  
be issued in the usual form, returnable on Monday next. Street.

Read and accepted.

Agreeably to notice given by Alderman Ballard, Ellis, the board reconsidered their vote passed at the last  
meeting on the petition of Joseph Ballard and others, and the  
same was recommended to the same committee.

Petition of William Pelley, praying for a Pelley  
license for the Warren Street. Warren St. Aldermen Wolcott, Warren, and  
Fales and Eliot.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Faxon, and Faxon, Eliot  
others, against calling the new street over the Mill Creek, Blackstone  
Blackstone street, and the memorial of John F. Eliot, others, Street  
in favor of said name. - Referred to Aldermen Leighton  
and Curran.

John H. Dearborn makes complaint Dearborn  
respecting the scaling of certain fair balance. Referred to  
Aldermen Ellis, Fales and Dunham.

Leach Harris and Sons account for Harris and  
removing from land taken to make West. Street. Referred to  
Aldermen Wolcott and Greble.

The Superintendent of Public Lands Superintendent of  
made a report of the sales of land made by him from April 1st, Public Land

236. to. August 2<sup>d</sup> 1834. amounting in the whole to Eleven thousand seven hundred and thirty one dollars & seventy five cents.  
Read & sent down.

Wright

Petition of William Wright, that compensation be made him, for gravel taken from his land South Boston, and used on the streets Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Foster

Petitions of Joseph Foster and Peter

Nash

Nash for leave to take water by suction from a well in Anne

Street

Street. Referred to Aldermen Loughton and Gurney, with full power to grant the same.

Adjourned to Monday next  $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock.

P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the eleventh day of August Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

Mr. Hays and the whole board of Aldermen.

Resolved

The following nominations & appointment of Constables were made viz. Horatio Wap in the room of Solomon B. Hase Benjamin Brown Jr in the room of William Pinckney & Seth Gould in the room of Winthrop & Wobbit.



John Tyler and George P. Thomas were licensed 137.  
as Auctioneers and their bonds approved... Auctioneers

Petition of Thomas Barry, for a license for Barry  
the Tremont Theatre. Referred to the Committee who have un- Tremont Theatre  
der consideration the petition of William Polby, for a license  
for the Warren Theatre, to consider and report...

Petition of Eleazer, Homer, and others to Homer  
have O Street opened. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham. O Street.

Petition of the South Cove Corporation, South Cove  
that the City would unite with them in the construction Corporation  
of drains and sewers, in order that they may be approved  
by this board. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Petition of Albert W. Mudge, Mudge  
Call, for leave to dig a well in New Hill Street, and to take  
water by suction from the same, for the use of their estates in  
Prince and Thatcher Streets. Referred to Aldermen Saighton  
and Gurney...

Petition of John W. Mudge, Mudge  
others, to have Elm Street, widened by cutting off part of the Elm Street  
Mardel house, and to have the common sewer in said  
street sunk lower. Referred to Aldermen Holmes and Gristle

Petition of Nathaniel C. Bishop to Bishop  
said for land taken to widen Salem Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Saighton and Gurney...

*Petition of Richard Dewerson and Jacob Foster, to be paid the damage which they sustained in being obliged to remove from the "Hart room, No. 2. Referred to Aldermen Brewster and Quincey.*

*Pemberton*

*Memorial of Ebenezer Pemberton, relative to certain land near the Boston hill. - Referred to the City Solicitor.*

*Clough*

*Memorial of Ebenezer Clough, weighing at the Southern Clay scales, respecting weighing there. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.*

*Washington*

*Wentworth  
Russell Street*

*It appearing to this board that notice has been given respecting the laying of common sewers in North Russell Street, in Eliot Street and in Washington Street to connect with that in Court Street. And now no person appearing to object, except Elizabeth Randall, Macomber, Sawin and Co. to that in Eliot Street, and after a full hearing it was thereupon ordered, that said sewers be laid under the direction of the Committee of the several districts, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby.*

*Coolidge*

*Order of the Common Council, that the sum of Ten hundred and eighty six dollars and sixty nine cents, be deducted from the interest due on sundry notes of hand held by the City against Cornelius Coolidge, for lands purchased by him: provided he shall give a sufficient deed of four thousand three hundred and twenty feet of land taken*



taken by the City for a street, and pay into the City Treasury, 239.  
the sum of two hundred and one dollars and nine cents, being  
the balance in full of interest due on said notes to November  
29<sup>th</sup> 1833., and that the sum of twelve hundred and sixty  
dollars, and sixty cents, to be endorsed on said notes as prin-  
cipal, as cash at that time, the deed be given and payment  
made within thirty days from the passing of this order, &  
that the procees in favour of the City against him be carried  
came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurred.

The Committee to whom was referred the Dyer-Foster and  
application of Michael Dyer, Joseph Foster and Peter Mash, Mash-Ann Street  
to take water from a well belonging to the City at N. H. q.  
Ann street. Report, that the said Michael Dyer,  
Joseph Foster and Peter Mash be and they are hereby  
authorized to take water from said well by suction, pro-  
vided the same is effected free of any expense to the City; and  
that the paving of the street and side walk be repaired  
in the same good condition it now is. For the Committee  
Nathan Gurney.

Read & accepted.

Ordered, that the subject of laying the Lowell railway  
drains and common sewers by the Lowell railway cor- Mill pond land  
poration, through the land formerly the Mill Pond, be re- Drains.  
ferred to the former committee on that subject.

Adjourned to Monday next 7 o'clock

P. H.

Met a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Tuesday, the twelfth day of August, Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen...

Convent in  
Charleston  
burnt by a Mob.

The Mayor stated that he had called this meeting in consequence of the destruction of the Ursuline Convent in Charleston, last evening; the same being fired by a mob, which unlawfully, riotously and routously assembled for that purpose, and was entirely consumed. That he had issued hand bills requesting the Citizens to assemble in Faneuil Hall, at one o'clock, this day, to take such measures in the premises as may be deemed expedient for the public safety...

Adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Afternoon.

Met according to adjournment.

Coolidge

Ordered, that the sum of seven hundred, thirty three dollars and twenty cents be endorsed on the note of Cornelius Coolidge, as part payment of the principal thereof in that of the sum of nine hundred and sixty dollars and sixty cents, as provided by an order of this board December 30 1833. and that the balance of Fourteen hundred and thirteen dollars and one cent together with the sum of seven hun-

dred



dred and six dollars and thirty eight cents which is hereby 241.  
allowed in addition thereto, to be received in full for interest  
due on his said note to the 29<sup>th</sup> of November. A.D. 1833, and  
that all process now existing against him be cancelled, provi-  
ded, however that said Coolidge give to the City a sufficient  
deed of the land for a street for which the aforesaid sum has  
been allowed....

Adjourned to Monday next, to wit  
7 o'clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Al-  
dermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Saturday  
the sixteenth day of August. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Ellis, Holmore, Bates, Brighton sur-  
ney, and Greer.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to "Watch &  
establish in addition to the usual Watch a strong and efficient Police  
body of patrol & stationary police, for the preservation of good  
order during the night.... And to establish such rules and  
regulations respecting the same as may be deemed expedient.

242.

Application of the Horticultural Society  
for the use of Faneuil Hall from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> September  
Society Faneuil next inclusive, as the preparation for the exhibition of said  
Hall Society; and the exhibition will occupy a week at least.  
Read and the prayer thereof granted upon condition that  
all damage be made good by said society.

Adjourned to Monday next half past  
7 o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday  
the eighteenth day of August Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen

Auctioneers

Neslor Houghlon & Co and Samuel R. Bayley,  
licensed as Auctioneers and their bonds approved.

Reynolds  
Washington  
Place.

The Committee on the Petition of Grindall  
Reynolds and others, to have the sidewalk altered in  
Washington place, reported, that the prayer of the petitioners  
ought not to be granted. Read and accepted.



Ordered, that the occupants of the 243.  
buildings opposite the Regulator Market, which were lately Washington  
taken to widen "Washington street" which stand without the street  
line of said street be notified, that the Mayor and Aldermen  
will proceed to remove the same, on the tenth day of September  
next, unless they shall be removed previous to that time by  
the owners thereof.

Remonstrance of Stephen Silcomb and Silcomb  
others against having the African School house placed  
near Garden street. - Referred to the committee building  
said house. -

The Committee on the petition of Hiram Topp Sea Cow  
Topp, for a license to exhibit the skin of a sea cow near Tan-  
cill Hall, reported, that the petition be granted, under  
the direction of the Committee of the district, and subject  
to be removed by said committee, he to pay one dollar per week.  
Read and accepted.

Petition of Welch, Macomber & Co for Welch Macomber &  
a license to exhibit their Menagerie of living animals on  
the land west of Charles street, near the Amphitheatre creat-  
ed by Mr Durant. - Referred to the Committee on the com-  
mon with full power to grant the same. -

Henry J. Oliver, of his intention of Oliver  
building on Commercial street. Referred to Aldermen Commercial  
Laighton and Gurney. - street.

Ordered, that the Adams School  
house be repaired and painted and the land fenced, and Adams School  
that

244. that the same be done under the direction of the sub-committee on that school...

Engineers

Communication from the Engineers of the fire department respecting fires out of the City.

Read and filed.

Gale

Ordered that there be paid to Eliza Gale and Lydia S. Gale the sum of eighteen dollars in addition to the sum of three hundred dollars heretofore allowed for land taken to widen Sudbury Street...

Witchie

Canoe Street

The Committee on the Petition of Uriah Witchie, for a common sewer in Hanover Street near that street, reported, that an order of notice be issued to all persons interested, returnable on Monday next...

Read and accepted.

Taylor, Reed & Co

Elm Street

The Committee on the Petition of Taylor, Reed & Co to have the common sewer in Elm Street sunk lower, reported, that an order of notice be issued in the usual form returnable on Monday next. Read & accepted.

Taylor, Reed & Co

Elm Street

The Committee on the Petition of Taylor, Reed & Co and others, to have Elm Street widened by cutting off a part of the Market House, reported that it is not expedient to make the improvement contemplated, as aforesaid, the present year. Read and accepted.



The Committee to whom was referred the 245.  
communication of the Merchants Insurance Company, Merchants  
stating their intention of building on their land on Congress Insurance Comp  
street Report that it is expedient to take part of said Congress street  
land to widen said street, and they therefore of the following  
resolution and order... For the Committee, Thomas H. Moore.

Read, accepted and thereupon  
Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants  
require that Congress street should be widened by taking from  
the estate of the Merchants Insurance Company at the  
corner of Congress and Water streets a piece of land bounded  
as follows viz. Beginning at a point on Water street two  
feet eleven inches distant westerly of the present line of Congress  
street thence running by the line of Water street easterly to  
the present line of Congress street two feet eleven inches thence  
by the present line of Congress street southerly sixty feet four  
inches thence continuing the present line of brick buildings  
on Congress street straight to the place of beginning according  
to the plan thereof made by G. P. Fuller said piece of land  
containing eighty eight feet... And it is therefore ordered that  
the piece of land above described be and the same is hereby ta-  
ken and laid out as a public street.

The Committee on the petition of Thomas Barry & John  
Barry for a license of the Tremont Theatre and William Tremont and  
John Barry for a license of the Warren Theatre Report that the Warren Theatre  
prayer thereof ought to be granted and that the said Theatre  
be licensed for the term of one year; Provided however,  
that no ardent spirits are sold in said Theatres or its  
appurtenances

246. if under said license during said term and that in case of such sale, this license shall thereupon cease and be annulled, and provided also that the petitioners pay the sum of five dollars each. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.

Read and accepted.

Smith  
Creek Street

Ordered, that there be paid to Ebenezer Smith the sum of seven thousand and thirty dollars for two thousand two hundred and forty feet of land taken to make a street over the Mill Creek so called situated on the north side of said Creek and the further sum of six hundred and forty one dollars and seventy five cents for six hundred and seventy five feet of land taken for the same purpose above named situated on the south side of the former Mill Creek, the land above mentioned is according to a survey made by Stephen P. Fuller. and said Smith is to give to the City, good and sufficient deeds accordingly and in full for all damages.

Adjourned to Monday next half past  
7 o'clock. P. M.



At a meeting of the board of Alder- 222  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday  
the twenty fifth day of August Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

He. Hayer, and the whole board of Aldermen except  
Alderman Ellis.

Ferdinand E. White and Otis Nick bonds Auctioneers  
as Auctioneers...

Petition of Benjamin Kappell, and others, Kappell  
to have Summer street widened, at the lower part near Board Summer Street  
street, formerly Sea street... Referred to Aldermen Holmore  
and Greble...

Petition of Frederick T. Gray, and others, Gray  
to have Brattle street widened near Elm street... Referred to Brattle street.  
Aldermen Holmore and Greble.

Ordered, that there be paid on or before Guild  
the fifth day of September, next, to Susan Guild, one hundred Greble Street  
and seventy three dollars and sixty cents for one hundred and  
twenty four feet of land, in addition to what has already been  
taken to make a street over the former mill creek.

Ordered, that the committee of the southern Eliot  
district together with Alderman Talbot be a committee to con- sider  
sider the expediency of widening Eliot Street.

248.

Powers  
Creek N.

Petition of Daniel E. Powers to be paid  
for land taken to make a street over Mill Creek. Referred to  
Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Barker.

Petition of John Barker, Messenger of the  
Police Court and Keeper of the Court House, Leverell  
Street that he may be permitted to occupy a small lotment  
in the Jail yard. Referred to the Committee on the Jail with  
full power.

Haseys

Mortgage

The City Treasurer and Auditor having  
certified that a bond and mortgage given to the City, by  
George W. Hasey, for one hundred and seventy-two dollars and  
eighty cents has been duly recorded. mortgage is recorded  
with Suffolk deeds Lib. 349. folio 292. Thereupon, ordered,  
that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge  
the same on the records.

Providence  
Rail Road

Ordered, that the committee on sale  
of Public Land: on the part of this board, be instructed to  
consider and report what damage the City has sustained  
in consequence of the Providence Rail Road having taken  
land of the City to make part of their road.

Taylor, Dec 96.

Elm Street.

It appearing to this board that notice  
has been given on the petition of Taylor, Dec 96 to have  
the common sewer in Elm street sunk lower, agreeably  
to the order passed at the last meeting of this board. And  
now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered,  
that the same be done under the direction of the Com-  
mittee



middle of the district, and the expense thereof assessed according 249.  
to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given in the petition of Wm. H. H. for a Common Sewer, And  
Sewer in Hancock street near that street, as was ordered by the order  
passed at the last meeting of this board. And now no person  
appearing to object it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer  
be laid under the direction of the committee of the district;  
and the expense thereof assessed according to law upon those  
whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

The Committee to whom was referred the Dewerson and  
Petition of Richard Dewerson and Jacob Foster for abatement Foster..  
on a charge of rent for the ward room under the Hancock  
School House. Report, that from a statement made by  
one of the society, they have reason to believe, that the petitioners  
are unable to pay the whole demand, which the city have  
against them for rent, and recommend the passage of the  
following order. For the committee Charles Lighton

Read, accepted and thereupon  
Ordered that the treasurer be authorized to settle the de-  
mand that he may have against Richard Dewerson and  
others, for occupying the ward room under the Hancock  
School, by taking fifty per cent of the demand, and giving  
them a discharge in full when paid.

Adjourned to Monday next 1 o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the first day of September. Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

Aldermen Wilmore, Sales, Tighton, Dunham, Gurney, Eliot and Greele...

Chairman Grele...

The Mayor being absent by reason of indisposition,

Mr. Mayor Wilmore was chosen Chairman pro tempore.

Board Keeper

Gilman Davis was chosen Board Keeper at South

Boston, for the remainder of the present year... put down for concurrence... Came up concurred...

Snelling

Salem Street...

Petition of Nathaniel G. Snelling, and others, praying that proper conveyances may be constructed so as to take water from the roof of Christ Church for the purpose of filling the reservoir in Salem Street... Referred to the committee on the fire department...

Merchants Ins.

Company Congress

& Water Street

Petition of the Merchants Insurance Com-

pany for leave to construct arches under the side walks in

Congress and Water streets... Referred to Aldermen Wilmore and Greele, with full power.

Simmons

Canover Street

Petition of Valentine Simmons, and others,

to have Canover street widened, between North Bennett

street and Prince street... Referred to Aldermen Tighton and Gurney.



Petition of Samuel Dennis, Junior May 22<sup>d</sup>.

ing, that the City would take back a lot of land on Washing- Cooverly St.  
ton Street purchased by him of the City, in the year 1825, or  
grant him such other relief in the premises as may be deemed  
right and proper. Referred to the committee on public lands  
to consider and report. That was in concurrence.

Came up & concurred.

Memorial of Louis Dennis, proposing Dennis  
to sell to the City a lot of land at the corner of Staniford. Staniford  
and Green Streets for the purpose of widening said Streets. Green Street.  
Referred to Aldermen Silmon & Green.

Petition of Thomas Moulton and others, Moulton  
to have the new part of Prince Street paved, between Hanover Prince Street.  
Street and North Square. Referred to the committee on  
paving.

The Committee on the petition of Thomas Moulton  
Moulton, reported, that the extent of the paving on Green- Greenough Alley  
ough Alley, as it now lays, is the established line, and has  
been so for a great length of time, and the line has been given  
accordingly. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the petition of Robert Wadger & Jacob Wadger & Jacob  
Wadger and Jacob Hall, to dig a well in Snow Hill Street. Snow Hill Street  
reported, that the prayer thereof be so far granted, provided  
the street and side walk be left in as good a state of repair  
as before. Read and accepted.

*Fawcett* The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Mrs. Mary and Frances for the payment of damages sustained by her, by the taking by the City of certain land for the extension of Broad Street, in which land she has a life estate, ask leave to offer the following order, vizt...  
 Ordered that there be paid to Mrs. Margaret Fawcett during the term of her natural life an annuity of One hundred & fifty dollars per annum, commencing the first day of April last in equal quarterly payments. The said annuity to be full compensation for all damages to her sustained by reason of the taking by the City of any lands or other property for the purpose of laying out or extending Broad Street...

For the Committee Thomas Wetmore

Read and accepted...

*Delgado*

Ordered, that the Keeper of the Jail in Liverd Street be directed to surrender to Dr. John C. Warren, the dead body of Manuel Delgado, said Delgado having committed suicide in said Jail & being required to be buried at the public expense and no person claiming to be his or friend to the deceased even required to have his body interred within twenty four hours from the time of its death.

*Hackney*

*Coaches*

*Theatres*

Ordered that no license shall be given to any Hackney coach to stand before the Tremont Theatre in Tremont Street or the Warren Theatre corner of Portland and Traverse Streets, except for the purpose of setting down and taking up company... These Hackney coaches whilst their fares remain in the Tremont Theatre, may be allowed, at any time after



after nine o'clock, to occupy a stand, commencing at the 253.  
north corner of the Granary, burial ground, and extend sou-  
therly in one line along the Malls in said Tremont Street  
but no other Hackney Coaches shall be allowed to occupy  
the said stand. The Hackney Coaches whilst their fares  
remain in the Warren Theatre, are allowed to occupy a stand  
commencing in Portland Street, at the North corner of Warren  
Street and extending north westerly in said Portland Street,  
but no other Hackney Coaches shall be allowed to occupy  
the said stand.

Ordered, that the regular time for the Board of Aldermen  
meetings of this board be 4 o'clock P.M. until further order. *line of meeting*

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday  
the eighth day of September, Anno Domini 1851.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council committing Primary School  
the petition of the Primary School committee that a new Committee  
School house be built, on the neck lands to the committee on pub-  
lic

254. be instructed with such as the board of Aldermen might  
join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read  
and concurred, and Aldermen Ellis and Dunham were joined.

House of  
Correction

Order of the Common Council requesting the  
directors of the House of Correction to inform the City Council,  
what portion of the labor of the inmates of said house  
may be applied to the creation of a House for Juvenile offen-  
ders. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Auctioneers

Whitwell, Bond & Company licensed as Auctioneers  
and their bond approved.

Simmons

Hanover Street

The Committee to whom was referred the petition  
of Valentine Simmons and others, have considered the  
subject, and ask leave to report the following order, viz:  
Ordered, that Hanover Street be widened on the western  
side from Prince Street to the Universal Church on the  
corner of Bennett Street, and that there be a prospective  
line, setting back the buildings on said line, as opportunity  
may occur by demolishing or repairing the buildings, on the  
same, so that said street shall measure thirty feet wide  
and agreeable to a plan drawn by Stephen P. Fuller, Esquire.

Read and accepted.

Wardman

Hanover Street

Petition of William Wardman to have Han-  
over Street widened, by taking a part of the land and building  
belonging to the estate of John Wardman, adjoining the Hotel  
now erecting by the petitioner. Referred to Aldermen Helmer  
and Greer...



Petition of John D. Williams, & others, 255.

to have Merchants Row extended to the new street over Williams  
the mill creek and, on that purpose to have said street and Merchants  
road... Referred to Aldermen Loughton & Gurney... Row.

The Committee on the petition of Benjamin Russell  
and others, to have the lower part of Summer Street  
widened, reported, that it is inexpedient to widen  
the same at present... Read and accepted... Summer Street.

The Committee on the petition of Frederick T. Gray  
and others, to have Brattle Street, near Elm Street  
widened, reported, that it is inexpedient to widen said  
street at present... Read and accepted... Brattle Street.

The Committee on the subject of widening Eliot Street.  
Eliot street, reported, that one hundred and thirty-two feet  
of land belonging to the City be appropriated for the purpose  
of widening said street, six feet wide and twenty-two feet long,  
as per plan taken by Stephen P. Fuller. Read & accepted.

Ordered, that in addition to the sum Sackard  
of one hundred and ten dollars and forty-seven cents heretofore  
allowed to Isaac Sackard, for the material & certain  
buildings taken down, and by the City in laying out Broad  
street, there be paid the sum of Eighty-nine dollars, fifty-three  
cents in addition thereto, said sums to be in full payment of said  
accounts... Broad Street

Oliver  
Washington  
street...

The Committee on the petition of Francis S. Oliver, and others, to have the common sewer relaid in Washington street between the Lamb Tavern and West street, reported, that an order of notice be issued returnable on Monday next...

Read and accepted.

Merchants Ins.  
Comp. Congreß  
Water street

Petition of the Merchants Insurance Company, for exchange of Land Congreß and Water street. Referred to Aldermen Helmore & Steele, with full power.

Barnard  
Hard room  
S. W.

Petition of Charles S. Barnard, for the use of Hard room of W. H. on Sundays for the purposes of a Chapel in his services as minister at large. Referred to the Committee on public buildings on the part of this board.

Roberts  
Belknap St.

The Committee on the Petition of Dr. Roberts for the use of the school room near Belknap street, for evening school, for mental improvement, for the space of six months, reported, that the prayer thereof be granted.

Read and accepted.

Rice & River

Petition of Rice and River to have cellar under Store Faneuil Hall repaired. Referred to the Committee on public buildings on the part of this board with full power.

Merchants  
Insurance Comp.  
Congreß Water St.

The Committee on the application of the Merchants Insurance Company for leave to construct arches under side walks, Congreß & Water streets, reported that leave has been given.



The Committee on the petition of John Gray, for leave to dig a well in Hanover Street, reported that leave has been granted and the work done...  
Read and accepted...

257.

Gray

Hanover Street.

Petition of George Edin and others to have a common sewer laid in the westerly part of Eliot Street...  
Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Edin

Eliot Street

Application of David Barry, William H. Orcutt and the communication of James M. Allen concerning hand cartmen. Referred to the City Marshal.

Barry; Orcutt

Cartmen

Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis and Dunham be a committee to confer with such committee or agents of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road and report to this board upon the petition of said corporation creating a right of way upon their road, where it crosses any street or highway.

Worcester

Rail Road

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock

A. H.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fif-  
teenth day of September Anno Domini 1834.

Present,

The Mayor, and Aldermen Ellis, Wolcott, Sales, Loughton,  
Dana and Oliver.

Auctioneers

Charles T. Hall, John Hall, Saml. Whitney  
were licensed as Auctioneers, and their bonds approved...  
Richard Warren licensed as Auctioneer and his bond ap-  
proved.

Oliver

Washington  
Street.

It appearing to this board, that notice has  
been given, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting on  
the petition of Francis S. Oliver and others, to have a com-  
mon sewer relaid in Washington street between the Lamb  
 Tavern and West street. And no person appearing to object,  
it is thereupon ordered, that, the said sewer be laid and  
the expense thereof assessed according to law upon those whose  
estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Oliver

East Street

The Committee on the petition of George Odia  
and others to have a common sewer laid in the western  
part of Eliot <sup>street</sup> reported that an order of notice be issued in  
the usual form returnable on Monday next

Read and accepted.

Brown

Wilston Street

Petition of Saml. Brown, & others, to have a new  
common sewer laid in Wilston street. Referred to Aldermen Loughton  
& Gurnee.



Petition of Jefferson French and others, 259.

to have a new common sewer laid in North Bennett Street. French

Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Curney.,

North Bennett Street

The Committee on the petition of Charles W. Barnard

Barnard, for the use of Ward room. N<sup>o</sup> 11. to be used on Sundays  
for public worship in his capacity as minister at large, reported  
that the same be granted the expense to be borne by the  
petitioner.... Read & accepted..

Petition of Susan Guild, for further reme- Guild  
neration in taking her land and building to make a street  
over Mill Creek. Read and thereupon ordered, that the  
petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition..

A Requisition of the Judge of Probate of Maxfield.

the County of Suffolk, that inquiry be made of the State of non compos. mentis  
mind of John Maxfield of Boston Barber, who has been repre-  
sented as a person non compos. mentis and incapable of taking  
care of himself... Read and thereupon Ordered, that the said  
John be notified to appear before this board on Monday next,  
4 O'clock P. M. and shew cause if any he have, why he should  
not be declared non compos. mentis as aforesaid, in order  
that a Guardian be appointed to him according to law.

Ordered, that the Committee of the Southern Ballard  
district be instructed with full power to settle with Joseph  
Ballard, for cutting off his house & taking his land to widen  
Washington street..

260.

Clark

On the application of E. W. Clark, that a lease for an office in the basement room of the northeast corner of the City Hall, given to S. V. Allen, be cancelled, and that the same be made out in the name of said Clark, the committee report, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted & that the City Solicitor be instructed to make out said lease accordingly. -- Read and accepted.

Said Mortgage  
to be discharged.

The City Treasurer and Auditor having certified that a bond given to the City by Daniel T. Ford for two hundred and seventy dollars secured by Mortgage has been fully paid; thereupon ordered that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge the same on the record.

Bradlee  
Franklin Street

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph B. Bradlee & others, praying that Franklin Street may be widened, ask leave to report the following resolution & order. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.

Read, accepted and thereupon Resolved that the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants require that Franklin Street should be widened by taking a piece of land at the corner of Franklin & Hawley Streets bounded as follows vizt beginning at the present corner of Franklin & Hawley Streets thence running by the present line of Franklin Street, toward Washington Street forty five feet & one inch to a passage way, thence by said passage way north easterly six feet, thence to Hawley Street in a line parallel with the present line of Franklin Street forty five feet and one inch; thence six feet to the place of beginning and it



is therefore hereby ordered that the piece of land before dis- 261.  
cribed be and the same is hereby laid out as a street and  
that Franklin Street be widened by taking the same.

Communication of P. P. T. Degrand, concern- Degrand  
ing lighting and draining estates and laying sidewalks  
in streets in and about Charles, Pine, New Cedar and Mount  
Terrace Streets. Referred to Aldermen Wetmore & Crane.

Application of Joseph Tentland for a Tentland  
license to exhibit two evenings at Concert Hall as a Tent  
quist. Granted on paying therefor one dollar per night.

Application of Joseph Morris to exhibit Morris  
a large Hog and Elk at the Theatre in Flagg Alley. Hog & Elk.  
Referred to Aldermen Wetmore & Crane.

Petition of Jacob Hall to have the Hall  
reservoir or cist pool removed from the side walk where he Prince & Thacher  
is about building on Prince & Thacher Street. Referred to Streets  
Aldermen Lighton and Gurney.

The Committee on the Petition of A. G. Snelling  
Snelling, and others praying that proper arrangements be  
constructed so as to take the water from the roof of Christ Church  
to fill the reservoir in Salem Street reported that it is ex-  
pedient for the City to pay one half the expense in placing  
the gutters and tanks for the purpose above mentioned.  
Read & accepted.

262.

262. Petition of the Overseers of the House of  
Correction for leave to erect a shed for a work shop for the  
of Correction. The petitioners in this manner, have R. Street  
to the Committee on the Jail & with full power.

Foster.

Petition of Leonard Foster, for himself and the other owners of Foster's wharf, for remuneration for the materials &c. &c. taken for land &c. &c. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition..

Primary School  
House District  
No. 7.

The Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Primary School Committee setting forth the expediency of providing a new school house in district No. 7. having attended to the subject ask leave to Report, that they find no primary school between that near the South Boston Bridge and one near Roxbury line on the neck and that the latter is over run with scholars, having above one hundred in attendance. The Committee further find the number of children in the new village springing up on the neck lands to be so great as to require another school for which a room must be provided. They therefore recommend that a building be erected and to this end, that the following order be passed which will probably cover all expenses attending the same. viz<sup>t</sup> Ordered, that a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars be appropriated from the funds for erecting buildings for the Primary Schools, for the purpose of erecting a suitable building for a new Primary School in district No. 7. and that with such as the Common Council

cil



cit may join be a committee for locating and erecting 263.  
said building, on any land owned by the city, which may  
be found best adapted to the purpose. For the Committee  
Jabez Ellis....

Read, accepted and thereupon  
Ordered, that Aldermen Ellis and Dunham, be a committee  
on the part of this board to carry the same into effect.

sent down for concurrence came up concurred and the Common  
Council joined on its part: Messrs Martin, Huntington & Blake.

The Committee to whom was referred the selection of names to be given to the new streets at the  
southern part of the city have attended to the subject and  
ask leave to submit the following order (according to a plan  
drawn by Francis Jackson, Esq) vizt. Ordered, that the  
name of Tremont, be given to the street that extends from  
Tremont street to the Roxbury line; that the name of  
Suffolk be given to the street between Tremont and Washing  
ton streets on a parallel line with Washington street to the  
Roxbury line; that the name of Front street be given to the  
street next to the Dyke that extends from Joshua Davis'  
land to Northampton street; - The cross streets to be named  
as follows according to said plan vizt. -

Streets

Named

See page 141.

1<sup>st</sup> - To be called Groton street, extends from Tremont to Suffolk street

" 2 " " " Lowell " " " " " " "

" 3 " " " Hanson " " " " " " "

" 4 " " " Walham " " " " " " "

" 5 " " " Weston " " " " " " "

" 6 " " " Chelsea " " " " " " "

" 7 " " " Dedham " " " " " Front "

" 8 " " " Canton " " " " " " "

264. N<sup>y</sup>. To be called. Brookline street from Tremont to Front street.  
 " 10. " " " Pembroke " " " Suffolk "  
 " 11 " " " Newton " " " Front "  
 " 12 " " " Rutland " " " " "  
 " 13 " " " Concord " " " " "  
 " 14 " " " Worcester " " " " "  
 " 15 " " " Springfield " " " " "  
 " 16 " " " Chester " " " " "  
 " 17 " " " Northampton " " " " "  
 " 18 " " " Camden " " " "Washington"  
 " 19 " " " Malden " " " "Washington to Front."  
 ✓. All which is respectfully submitted. Samuel Paley  
 ✓. Nathan Gurney Committee. Read and accepted.

Street  
 accepted.

Agreeably to assignment, the board took into consideration the report of the committee appointed to report what streets, if any, are now used as common thorough fares & public highways which have never been accepted, by the City and the report, as recorded at large, page 179 &c was accepted and the resolve passed.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock  
 P. M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen 265.  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the  
twenty second day of September Anno Domini 1834.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council, instructing Loan  
the joint committee on the subject of negotiating a loan in  
Europe, on behalf of the City, to make report of their proceed-  
ings in the matter referred to them. Came up for concurrence.  
Read & concurred.

Order of the Common Council, referring Auditor of accounts  
the Auditor of accounts report on appropriations and an appropria-  
tions  
order making various transfers of appropriations to the  
committee of finance, to consider and report. Came up for  
concurrence... Read and concurred.

Isabel Hatch, Junior, licensed as an Auctioneer Auctioneer  
her and his bond approved.

Ordered, that from and after the first "Bell"  
day of October next, the ringing of the bell at sunrise be ringing of  
discontinued.

Petition of Enock H. Snelling & others Snelling  
to have Garden Court street widened. Referred till Garden Court  
Aldermen Leighton and Gurney. Street.

206.

Griggs  
Suffolk Street

Petition of David H. Griggs & others,  
to have a street opened from the southern end of Suffolk Street  
to Northbury line to meet the highway making thro' said town.  
Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham...

Briggs  
Gooch Street

Petition of Billings Briggs, and others, for  
leave to sink a well in Gooch Street. Referred to Aldermen  
Holmore and Girdle...

Pray  
Warren Street

Petition of Isaac C. Pray, and others to have  
a reward offered for the detection of the perpetrators of house  
burglaries recently committed, and adopt such other measures  
as may be deemed necessary to prevent a recurrence of those  
high offenses. Resolved and thereupon ordered that a re-  
ward of three hundred dollars be offered to any person or  
persons who shall give information so that any perpetrator  
of these outrages against the persons and property of the citizens  
of this City shall be duly convicted...

Ash Street

Ordered, that the committee of the Southern  
district be instructed to open Ash Street, as laid out by this  
board, and as per plan taken by S. P. Fuller; the conditions  
stated in the order passed by this board on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
August last, in relation to opening said street having been  
complied with...

French, Brown  
North Marshall &  
Hester Streets

The Committee of the Northern district  
reported that orders of notice be issued in the usual form  
returnable on Monday next on the petition of Jefferson  
French and others to have a common sewer laid in North

French



Bonnet Street, and on the petition of Samuel Brown & others 267.  
to have a common sewer laid in Fillet Street.

Ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested, that this board will on Monday, the sixth day of October next, at 4 o'clock P. M. take into consideration the expediency of discontinuing the public street or highway leading from Ann Street to Commercial Street recently laid out leading to Union Wharf.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given agreeably to the order of notice on the petition of George Cdin, and others, to have a common sewer laid in the westerly part of Eliot Street. - And now no person appearing to object, it is therefore ordered, that said common sewer be laid, and the expense thereof assessed upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby, according to law.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to John Maxfield, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting of this board, but the said Maxfield does not appear. And after the examination of divers witnesses under oath and mature deliberation being thereon had, the board are of opinion, that the said Maxfield is a person non compos. mentis and incapable of taking care of himself and a certificate to that effect was signed by the Mayor and Aldermen addressed to the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, in order that a Guardian can be appointed to the said Maxfield according to law.

## The City Treasurer and Auditor of Accounts

Whittem  
Holmes  
Mortgage. And certify that a bond given by William Whittem, payable to the City for Two hundred and ninety two dollars and fifty cents the payment of which was secured by mortgage recorded with Suffolk deeds Lib 500. fol. 33. has been fully paid. Also a note of Charles Holmes, payable to said City, for four thousand dollars the payment of which was secured by mortgage recorded with Suffolk deeds Lib 341. fol. 2. has been fully paid. Thereupon, Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge the same on the records.

Ballard  
Washington  
Street.

Ordered, that there be allowed and paid to Joseph Ballard, eight hundred dollars, it being in full compensation for land taken to widen Washington Street, and for damage done to his building; payment to be made on his removing his building siting the cellar and completing the side walk, and giving the City a good and sufficient deed of said land. The City agreeing to compensate the occupants of said building.

Cunningham  
Washington  
Street.

The Committee on the claim of Charles Cunningham, for damage for taking his land to widen Washington Street opposite the Boylston Market, reported an order, which was read and not accepted.

Washington  
Street.

Ordered, that the committee of the Southern district, cause that part of the building belonging to Charles Cunningham, which stands in Washington Street to be removed.



Petition of Nancy Thompson, to be paid 269.

for land taken some years since to widen Washington street  
near Avon place. Referred to Aldermen Holman & Greke.

Petition of William Willett to be paid for Willett

land taken to make a street over Mill Creek. Referred to Mill Creek  
Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.

Petition of Mary Baury to be paid for land Baury

after the same rate as that paid to Charles Hall, the said land Mill Creek  
being included in a narrow way which was sold to John S.

Williams by the City. Referred to the City Solicitor.

The Committee on the Application of Joseph Morris

Morris for a license to exhibit a large hoop & stick at a building Hoop & stick  
in Stag, Allen, reported that the prayer of the petitioner ought  
to be granted, he paying one dollar a week.

Read and accepted.

Memorial of Augustus Hildreth concern Hildreth

ing his land taken to make the new street over Mill Creek. Mill Creek  
Referred to Aldermen Leighton & Gurney.

The Committee on the Petition of Jacob Hall

Hall, to have a cesspool removed from the sidewalk where Prince & Thacker  
he is about building on Prince and Thacker streets reported

that the Superintendent of Streets has been directed to re-  
move the same. Read and accepted.

Agricultural  
Society.

Communication of Zeteda Cook, Junior  
Sic. President in behalf of the Agricultural Society, stat-  
ing that in their former communication for the use of  
Faneuil Hall, that they omitted to mention that tickets  
would be required to be purchased for admission, and pray  
that said license may be amended conformable thereto. Read  
and ordered accordingly.

Eliot  
Blackstone  
Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition  
of John F. Eliot and others, to have the new street which has  
been laid out from Clinton Street to Haverhill Street, called  
Blackstone Street; and the remonstrance against the same,  
have considered the subject, and can find no good reason  
stated by the remonstrants against the Petitioners; they there-  
fore ask leave to offer the following order. Charles Lighter,  
Aaron Currier Committee. Read accepted & thereupon  
Ordered, that the new street laid out over the mill  
creek, from Clinton Street to Haverhill Street, be called  
Blackstone Street.

Dead bodies

The following rules concerning the delivery  
of dead bodies from the House of Industry were adopted viz.  
1. The delivery of subjects shall be made at about nine o'clock  
in the evening.  
2. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of the House  
of Industry to send immediate notice to the City Clerk when-  
ever a subject is ready for removal according to the provisions  
of an act passed April 1<sup>st</sup> 1834. And such subject shall be de-  
livered upon the order of the Mayor to any physician duly au-  
thorized to receive the same.



3. No subject shall be taken away but in the covered wagen D.P.  
belonging to the City, which shall be driven by the man  
usually employed for that purpose. It shall be accompanied  
by a person employed by the Physician receiving the order,  
to assist in removing the subject both in and out of the wagen.  
4. For every subject thus removed a charge of three dollars  
shall be made, to be paid to the Clerk of the City Stables at the  
time the order for the City cart is delivered.

Adjourned to Monday next 11 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday  
the twenty ninth day of September Anno Domini 1854.

— Present. —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Henry Robert Williams and Thomas A. Loring  
Winslow-licensed as Auctioneers and their bonds approved.

Order of the Common Council directing Contracts  
that committees charged with making contracts for the erect- on advertising  
tion or repairs of public buildings on behalf of the City to  
advertise

272. a l. d. p. p. proposals in all cases where the expenditure may exceed the sum of five hundred dollars unless otherwise ordered by the City Council came up for concurrence.

Read & non-concurred.

House of Reformation

Order of Common Council appointing a committee to cause to be erected on the City lands at South Boston a building for the inmates of the House of Reformation, and instructing said committee to report the difference of expense arising from the use of brick or stone, and their opinion of the material best to be used. Also the order authorizing a loan not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, for the purpose of building said House. — Came up for concurrence. — Read and referred to Aldermen Wetmore, Leighton & Eliot, to consider and report.

Richardson  
Hanover street

Petition of Bill Richardson, and others, to have Hanover street widened, near the corner of Prince street. — Referred to Aldermen, Leighton and Curney.

Jackson

Lin. Street.

Petition of Ward Jackson and others, to have Line Street paved. Referred to the committee on paving.

Cunningham  
Washington Street.

Memorial of Charles Cunningham respecting cutting off his house and taking his land to widen Washington street opposite Boylston Market. — Read and ordered that the subject of damages be settled by arbitration, and that Messrs Henry Farnam, William Minot and John P. Thondike be the referees for that purpose.



The Committee on the Petition of Billings 273.

Briggs, for leave to sink a well in Goveh Street. Report. "Briggs  
That leave be granted as requested, provided that the said Goveh Street  
owner so secure the said street while digging said well that  
no person shall be liable to any injury thereby, and that  
the pavement be repaired after the completion of the same,  
and that the same be done under the direction of the Com-  
mittee of the district for the Committee. Thomas Wetmore.

Read and accepted...

An Order making various transfers of appro- Appropriations.  
priations. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred...

Ordered, that the account of the House of Andover  
Correction of this City, against the town of Andover from Decr account issued  
12. 1825. to September 2. 1831. be and the same be allowed and  
certified the same having been examined, and the balance thereof  
amounting to one hundred and ninety eight dollars and seventy  
two cents, being found to be justly due from said town to this  
City.

Ordered that the Mayor be authorized to cause Powder in  
powder to be delivered to the military companies which Militia  
shall parade tomorrow agreeable to law.

Hannah Learned's demand of her right Learned  
of dower. Referred to the City Solicitor.

Petition of William Pelby, for leave to bore Pelby  
for water in Beverly street, and that lamps be lighted in said street  
street. Referred to Aldermen Loughton & Curney.

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The committee on the petition of Jesse Shaw & others, that a common sewer be laid in Grove Street, to connect with that in May Street reported, that an order of notice be issued in usual form returnable on Monday next.

Read and accepted.

Elm street.  
Suffolk Hotel

The board reconsidered, their former vote passed on the 22<sup>d</sup> instant in relation to the following subject. and thereupon ordered, that the committee of the middle district, be and they are hereby authorized to submit to referees, chosen in any mode they may deem expedient any claim for damages that the proprietors of the Suffolk hotel, formerly, so called, may have on the City, by reason of part of said building being taken down and removed by the City, to widen Elm street. The award of said referees to be final and obligatory on both parties.

Brown  
Titeston Street  
French  
North Bennet  
street

It appearing to the board, that notice had been given on the several petitions of Samuel Brown and others, to have a common sewer laid in Titeston street and Jefferson French and others, to have a common sewer laid in North Bennet street. And now several persons appear and object to the same. And after a full hearing it is thereupon ordered, that the common sewer in Titeston street be laid under the direction of the committee of the district, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those upon whose estates shall be benefitted there by according to law. And that the petition for that in North Bennet street be laid upon the table.

Goech  
flying horse

Petition of Lewis Goech for a license to exhibit flying horses referred to the City Marshal.



Ordered, that there be paid to the proprietors of a certain lot of land at the corner of Hawley & Franklin Street the sum of nine hundred and forty six dollars and seventy five cents, the said land containing two hundred & seventy six inches, and having been taken and laid out by the Board to widen Franklin Street, and the said sum to be in full payment thereof, and of all damages occasioned by said widening to said proprietors; said proprietors to give a good and sufficient deed of said land

Ordered that the Committee on the repairs of the Adams School House be directed to set the posts for the Fence on Mason Street in front of said School House nine feet within the southerly line of the land belonging to the City adjoining the Medical College so as to leave a passage way in common with said College of eighteen feet on Mason Street including the nine feet belonging to said College. Provided, that said College agree to keep their side nine feet open and in common. And provided also that the City do not relinquish any right that they now have in said land so laid out as above mentioned.

The Committee on the subject of procuring a foreign loan Report, That in pursuance of a vote of the City Council, the Committee on that subject, now submit for the consideration of that body, as annexed, a copy of a letter written by the Mayor to several eminent foreign bankers, and the replies to the same of Messrs. Paring Brothers & Co. & Co. and Messrs. of London and of Messrs. of Paris. It was understood

276. understood, that the last named house, was authorized, to negotiate in the behalf of eight other houses of that capital. It was also understood that the terms there proposed, contemplated the payment in Paris, both of the principal & the interest of the debt... For the Committee Theo. Lyman Jr. Accepted in Common Council. - Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred...

Nunnery  
burnt.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to approve all bills presented for expenses incurred by the committee of investigation appointed by the Inhabitants of this City in relation to the destruction of the Nunnery at Charlestown, and also all bills for expenses incurred for the preservation of the peace of the City, occasioned by the same...

Low  
non compos  
mentis

A requisition of Judge of Probate, that inquiry be made as to the state of mind of William Low, represented as non compos mentis. Notice ordered returnable on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October next...

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock  
A. M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen 277  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the sixth  
day of October Anno Domini 1834.

— Present —

The Mayor, Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore, Bates, Dunham, Gurney  
and Eliot.

Petition of the Primary School Committee Primary  
of District No. 2. that two rooms may be fitted up in the Han School Committee  
cock school house for Primary schools Referred to Aldermen District No. 2  
Leighton & Gurney.

The Committee on Quarantine to whom Deer Island  
was referred the several petitions of Ebenezer Thayer, Geo. P.  
Tewksbury, and Wm J. M. Leavitt, to hire Deer Island, reported  
that the same be referred to a joint committee of the City  
Council. Read and accepted, and referred to Aldermen  
Wetmore, Leighton and Gurney, with such as the Common Coun-  
cil may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on it.  
part Messrs Gray, Sargent, C. W. Lewis and Williams.

The Committee to whom was referred the Richardson  
petition of Will Richardson and others to have Hanover Street Richardson  
widened, Report, that a prospective line has been laid out  
for that purpose, and as repairs are now going on in two build-  
ing which fall within the line of the street, as laid down  
on a plan drawn by Stephen F. Fuller, Esquire, and as the  
street can be widened in this place at a much less expense  
this

278. this time, than it can after the repairs are completed; and as one of the parties is willing to sell his building back to the proposed Com. for a moderate compensation, your committee is leave to offer the following resolve. Charles Loughton, for the committee... Read, accepted and thereupon

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require that Hanover street be widened by taking so much of the estate of Mariah Ritchie and Frederick Gould (which is now under repair) as shall be required to make said street thirty feet wide..

<sup>W</sup>Bordman  
Hanover Street  
The committee on the Petition of <sup>W</sup>William Bordman, to have Hanover street widened, near the new Hotel, reported, that it is not expedient to widen the same at present.. Read and accepted..

Little  
Fish Market  
The Committee on the Petition of E.H. Little and others, to have a fish Market established at the North part of the City, reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the same. Read and accepted..

Ridgway-house  
Broad Custom  
house Street.  
Whereas upon due examination relative to the premises situated at the corner of Custom house street and Broad street, belonging to the heirs of Ridgway and occupied by sundry Irish families, it appears, that the number of persons is so great as to be the cause of nuisances and sickness, & the source of filth and also that the said building is not furnished with a sufficient and suitably constructed vault therefore ordered, that the several Inhabitants of said building be required to remove from and quit the same, within one week from



from the date hereof and that the City Marshal be directed 279.  
to issue the necessary notices accordingly.

Ordered, that the common sewer in North, South Bond  
and Bennet street be taken up, and relaid under the direction of  
the Committee of the Northern district, and the expense thereof,  
assessed according to law, upon those whose estates shall be bene-  
fited thereby.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting of  
this board, on the petition of Jesse Shaw and others, that a com-  
mon sewer be laid in Grove street to connect with that in May  
street. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon  
Ordered, that said common sewer be laid, under the direc-  
tion of the committee of the district, and the expense thereof  
assessed according to law upon those whose estates shall be bene-  
fited thereby.

Notice was received from the Common Council, that that body has non-concurred with this board  
in passing an order establishing the salary of the Master of  
the House of Correction, at one thousand dollars, instead of eight  
hundred dollars. Read and thereupon Ordered, that Alder-  
men Wetmore, Gurney and Eliot, be a committee to confer with  
such as the Common Council may appoint on its part relative  
to the subject matter of difference between the two boards sent  
down for concurrence. Came up concurred and Messrs James, Rice  
and Oliver were appointed on the part of the Common Coun-  
cil.

Sea wall  
H. of Correction

Order of the Common Council, committing an order to the committee of finance, directing that a sum not exceeding three hundred & fifty dollars, in addition to the present appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars, be appropriated to defray the expense of a sea wall round the establishment of the House of Correction at South Boston and that the same be withdrawn from the reserved fund. — Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

House of Industry

Order of the Common Council, directing that Mr James be added to the committee on the erection of the New School house attached to the House of Industry at South Boston. And that said committee be instructed to complete that edifice according to the recommendations of the committee on the part of the Common Council, and the architects consulted by them. — Came up for concurrence. — Read and concurred in the first part of said order, & ordered, that the second part of said order, together with the documents accompanying the same be referred to the joint committee on the subject of erecting said school house. —

Sent down for concurrence.

Bird

Petition of Cornelius Bird for a reduction of rent of cellar under Market House. — Referred to committee on the Market, with full power.

Powers  
Blackstone  
Street

Ordered, that there be paid to Daniel E. Powers one hundred and six dollars and sixty cents for 533 feet of land taken to make Blackstone Street over the former Mill Creek, said Powers to give a good and sufficient deed of said land; said sum to be in full for all damage.



The Committee on the Petition of Ephraim Ward 281.

praying a grant of Money, to pave the gutters and Macadamize Marsh  
a part of Fayette Street, reported that it is inexpedient to grant Fayette Street  
the prayer of said petition... Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Petition of Ezra Trull and Trull  
others, to have a common sewer laid in Lancaster Street, re- Lancaster  
ported, that an order of notice be issued in the usual form re- Street  
turnable on Monday next four Clock P.M. Read & accepted.

The referees appointed to estimate the damages Cunningham  
sustained by Charles Cunningham, by reason of the City having Washington  
taken a piece of his land to widen Washington Street oppo- Street  
site Boylston Market, and the compensation he is entitled  
to receive therefor, having duly notified the parties and  
examined the premises, do make the following award and  
report vizt that said Cunningham has received damage by  
the taking of said piece of land and the consequent repairs  
and alterations of his buildings to the amount of ten hun-  
dred & fifty dollars, and we award that said City pay to  
said Cunningham the sum of ten hundred & fifty dollars  
in full of such damages and of all claims and demands  
against said City in the premises. And we further award  
and report that on payment of said sum to said Cunningham  
he execute a deed of release of said parcel of land so taken  
to said City, to be used as a highway forever. The expense  
of this reference taxed at forty nine dollars is to be paid  
by said City. William Mind, Henry Farnam, John S.  
Thordike. Referees - Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Petition of Nathaniel W. Rose and others reported that the Aqueduct has been introduced into the Franklin School House. -

Read & accepted.

Ann to  
Commercial  
Street

Agreeably to assignment the board took into consideration the expediency of discontinuing the street leading from Anne Street to Commercial Street, opposite Union Wharf. And now John B. Tremere, William Page and others file their remonstrances against the same, and after a full hearing of the parties by their Council the further consideration of the subject was postponed to the next meeting. -

Hildreth  
Blackstone  
Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Augustus Hildreth for remuneration of expenses by him made in repairing his building on Blackstone Street Report that in the opinion of your Committee the charges made by Mr Hildreth is entirely groundless and ought not to be allowed, with the exception of two small charges of eight dollars for a drain, the other is three dollars for a Vault, which they think would be reasonable to allow, they therefore ask leave to offer an order. Read, accepted & thereupon Ordered, that there be paid to Augustus Hildreth the sum of eleven dollars for expenses incurred by him in making a drain and pulling down a Vault to his estate on Blackstone Street.

Willit  
Blackstone  
Street.

The Committee on the petition of William Willit to be paid for land taken from him to make Blackstone Street. Report that they have examined the plan of the estate



estate is well situated for a store and is more valuable than 283.  
it was previous to the new street being made and that  
he is entitled to no damage, he being benefited by making  
said street. For the Committee Charles Lighter.

Read and accepted...

The Committee to whom was referred the <sup>second</sup> House of  
orders of the Common Council, relative to the erection of a new Reformation  
building at South Boston, for the inmates of the House of  
Reformation for Juvenile offenders, ask leave to Report, that  
in their opinion, the interest of the City require that a new  
building, should be as soon as possible, erected for said insti-  
tution; that now used being not only extremely inconvenient  
but also that the same but also being required for  
the convicts in the house of correction; the Committee there-  
fore recommend that this board concur with the Common  
Council in the passage of the aforesaid order, appropriating  
the sum of twenty thousand dollars for the erection of said  
building and authorizing the Committee on Finance to borrow  
the same. The Committee further report, that this  
board ought to concur with the Common Council in the  
order appointing a committee to cause said building to be  
erected; with an amendment, viz<sup>t</sup> to insert at the end  
thereof the words and said Committee shall have power  
to alter and vary said plan if they deem it expedient, pro-  
vided the same can be done without increasing the cost  
of said building. The Committee also report that this  
board concur with the Common Council in the order di-  
recting an estimate to be returned of the difference of ex-  
pense

284. in the use of brick or stone, with an amendment, to strike out the words "at the next meeting of the Council" and to insert the words "as soon as is practicable." For the Committee Thomas Holmox. Read, accepted, and the several orders passed and the amendments made as therein and aldermen Holmox, Beighton and Eliot were joined to the committee of the Common Council. Sent down in concurrence. Came up concurred.

House of  
Commons.

Order of the Common Council directing, that the committee of finance, to make a loan, to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, on such terms, and at such times as they may judge for the interest of the City, for the purpose of building a House for the use of Juvenile offenders. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, at Clock 1. H.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the thirteenth day of October. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Greble.

Resolutions con-

A message was received from the Common Council, the number of persons proposing a convention of the free franchise of the City.



City Council, in the Common Council Chamber, on Thurs- 285.  
day evening next, at eight o'clock for the purpose of deciding  
upon the number of Representatives it was petitioned for  
the City to send to the next General Court...

Ordered, that a message be sent to the Common  
Council, declaring a concurrence with them in forming a Con-  
vention, at the time and for the purpose above expressed.

Order of the Common Council appointing, *Contracts*  
Messrs. James, Rice and Oliver, a committee to confer with *Committee of*  
such committee as might be appointed on the part of this *conference*  
board, on the subject matter of difference between the two  
boards, on the order instructing committees charged with the  
duty of making contracts for the erection or repairs of public build-  
ings, on behalf of the City to advertise for proposals came up  
for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Wilmore,  
Gurney and Eliot are appointed on the part of this board.

Order of the Common Council, instructing *Wood & Bark.*  
the committee to whom was referred the paper on the subject  
of Wood & Bark, to make report of their doings as soon as may  
be and report by bill if practicable. Came up for concurrence.  
Read and concurred. Said committee reported an ordi-  
nance regulating the survey and admeasurement of Wood and  
Bark, brought into the City of Boston by water, as passed by  
the Common Council March 20<sup>th</sup> 1834. with sundry amend-  
ments; which was read and not accepted, so this board  
non concurred with the Common Council in the passage  
of said Ordinance.

Order of the Common Council instructing the committee on the subject of leasing Deer Island, to consider the expediency of leasing said Island, at auction, with such restrictions and conditions as may be deemed proper - Came up for concurrence... Read and concurred.

Treasurer

Order of the Common Council authorizing the Treasurer to employ in his office any number of assistants not exceeding three, for such time as may be necessary not exceeding thirty days; said order was referred to Messrs Williams, Martin and Hobart, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Fales and Leighton are joined.

Admiral

A letter was received from Admiral Sir John Cochrane respecting the transfer to him of the Man and Aldermen of certain stock in the English funds for the use of the Cochrane School at Nantucket. Referred to the Mayor.

Primary School

The Committee on the Petition of Primary School Committee of District No. 2. for two rooms for said school reported in order that a committee on the part of this board, to be joined by the Common Council to make such alterations in the ward room under the General School House as shall accommodate two Primary Schools for District No. 2. Read and accepted, and Aldermen Leighton and Gurney were appointed on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence. The Common Council nonconcurred.



Petition of Otis Bullard & Co and others, 287.

to have the Hay coming over the Neck, the bridges from South Boston and the Western Avenue, which at the Southern end Hay and not at the Northern... Referred to Aldermen Ellis & Dunham.

Petition of Edward Tuckerman, praying, Tuckerman

that the street leading from Webster's street, up to the upper bridge leading to South Boston, measuring on said street, fifty feet, & extending eleven hundred feet, which he has dedicated to the public, may be accepted by the City, and named Webster street... Referred to Aldermen Ellis, Fales and Dunham.

Petition of Engine Company No 5. Engine.

praying to be discharged... Referred to the committee on the fire department. No 5.

Ordered, that the Superintendent Tremont of Public Lands be directed to cause a fence to be erected on each side of the new part of Tremont street, under the direction of the Committee on the sale of Public Lands, sent down for concurrence... Came up concurred.

It appearing to this board, that notice Trull has been given, agreeably to the order passed at the last Lancaster meeting of this board, on the petition of Oppenheim & Co and others, that a common sewer be laid in Lancaster street, and now it being appearing to be that it is the intention of the City, that said common sewer be laid and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby according to law.

Ordered that Alderman Holmore be the  
 Fifty Associates the committee of the Middle District, to carry into effect the  
 order of this board, passed September 27<sup>th</sup> 1834, giving said  
 committee power to refer the question of damages between  
 the City and the Fifty Associates in relation to a building  
 in Elm Street, belonging to said Fifty Associates taken to  
 widen said street.

Dennis  
 Green & Staniford  
 streets

The Committee to whom was referred a com-  
 munication from Louis Dennis, offering to sell to the  
 City a piece of land at the corner of Green and Staniford  
 streets for the purpose of widening said street ask leave  
 to report the following resolve and orders. For the committee  
 Thomas Holmore. Read, accepted and thereupon  
 Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the Inhabi-  
 tants require that Green and Staniford streets should  
 be widened by taking a piece of land at the corner of  
 said streets, bounded as follows viz beginning at the east-  
 erly corner of said streets thence running south twenty one  
 feet three inches to the corner of the new brick building, thence  
 by the line of said building eighteen feet one and one half  
 inches to Green street, thence by Green street fourteen feet  
 nine inches to the place of beginning, according to a plan  
 of said land made by J. S. Butler and it is therefore here-  
 by Ordered, that Green & Staniford streets be and they  
 are widened by taking said piece of land and the same is  
 laid out as a public street.

Ordered, that there be paid to Louis Dennis on or before  
 the fifth day of November next the sum of One hundred  
 dollars



dollars in full for a piece of land taken by the City Council 289.  
on Green and Staniford streets containing about seventy one  
feet and for all damages occasioned by said widening, pro-  
vided he give a sufficient deed thereof.

Resolved that there be paid to John M. ...  
born, ten dollars, in full for watering the streets around  
City Hall the past summer...

Petition of the second Baptist society to 2<sup>d</sup> Baptist  
have a common sewer laid leading from Baldwin place. society, Baldwin  
Referred to Aldermen Tighton & Gurney. place.

Communication of the Auditor of accounts Brooks  
in relation to a demand which Peter C. Brooks, Esquire,  
has against the City and demands in offset against an ap-  
pointment against him for a privilege in a common sewer.  
Referred to Aldermen Bates & Eliot...

Petition of Taylor, Reed & Co to be remunera- Taylor, Reed & Co  
ted the damage which they sustained in consequence of the Elm Street  
interruption to their business in widening Elm Street. Referred  
to Aldermen Wetmore and Greele...

The Committee on the petition of Ebenezer Mountfort  
Mountfort, reported, that the expense of having a side walk  
in Ann Street in front of his house, and that the same section  
... ..

Trask  
Spendthrift

After a full hearing, and the examination of witnesses, it is thereupon ordered, that a complaint be made to the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, that Caroline Trask of the City of Boston, single woman does, by excessive drinking, idleness and debauchery, so spend and waste her estate, as thereby to expose herself to want and suffering circumstances, and the City to a charge for her support and maintenance - and praying, that a Guardian may be appointed for her according to law.

Low  
non compos  
mentis

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to William Low, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, agreeably to the order passed this board on the 29<sup>th</sup> ultimo. The said Low does not appear and after the examination of divers witnesses under oath and after deliberation hereon the board are of opinion that the said Low is a person non compos mentis as aforesaid, and that fact was certified to the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, in order that a Guardian may be appointed for him according to law.

Adjourned to Thursday next quarter before  
seven o'clock P. M.



At a meeting of the board of Aldermen 291.  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the six-  
teenth day of October. Anno Domini 1834.

Present,

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder-  
man Greble.

The Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer  
order authorizing the Treasurer to employ a limited number  
of clerks, for a term not exceeding thirty days, reported that  
said order ought to pass. Read, accepted and the order  
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

### — In Convention —

Agreeably to assignment the two branches of Representatives  
the City Council assembled in convention in the Common number agreed  
Council Chamber for the purpose of determining upon  
the number of Representatives, it is expedient for the City,  
to send to the next General Court. The Mayor produced  
and read a certificate from the Assessors, wherein they certify  
that the number of rated polls is 15,137.

Resolved that the number of Representatives to be sent  
to the City to the next General Court be sixty seven.

The business of the convention being accomplished  
the two branches separated.

Ordered, that Blackstone Street be laid Blackstone  
with macadamized, and that the abutters on said street  
be notified to lay their edge stones and side walks.

292.

Anne &  
Commercial  
Streets.

At a meeting of the board took  
into consideration the expediency of discontinuing the street  
leading from Anne street to Commercial street opposite  
Union Church. After discussion a motion was made, that for  
mer business of the board of Aldermen laying out said street  
as a public street and highway be confirmed. The question  
being taken it was decided in the negative.

Adjourned to Monday next 11 o'clock A.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the  
twentieth day of October Anno Domini 1854.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except  
Aldermen Gurney and Grate...

Wood & Park.

Order of the Common Council appointing  
Messrs James Koulstone and Sears, a committee to confer  
with such committee as might be appointed on the part  
of this board on the subject matter of difference between  
the two branches of the City government, respecting an  
ordinance regulating the survey and admeasurement  
of



Wood and Park for incl, brought into the City by water. 293.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Al-  
dermen Ellis, Holmon & Lighton are appointed on the  
part of this board...

Order of the Common Council instructs <sup>Depts due the</sup> City  
ing the Committee on finance to enquire into the expediency  
of making provision for the more regular collection of debts  
due to and claims held by the City, and of prescribing more  
definitely the duties of any of the City officers in relation there-  
to, with liberty to report by ordinance or otherwise. Came up  
for concurrence... Read and concurred.

The joint committee to whom was referred <sup>Deer Island.</sup>  
the Petition of West H. Merrill, Lewis B. Merrill and  
Ebenezer Thayer for a lease of Deer Island, and who were in-  
structed to consider the expediency of leasing the said Island  
at auction with such restrictions and conditions as may be  
thought proper, have attended to the same and report,  
That Deer Island was leased to the United States  
October 10<sup>th</sup> 1828 for three years at a rent of four hundred  
dollars per annum with a condition in said lease, that the  
United States might determine the time when the  
breakwater should be finished; that said lease was never  
formally renewed, but the United States have continued  
to hold the same as tenants at will at the same rent; nor  
has it been to this time, formally surrendered as the pub-  
lic works on the Island were finished previous to the ex-  
piration of the last quarter, it is presumed that it was not  
the

294. the intention of the agent of the government to make the United States liable for any further rent subsequent to that period but that he expected to surrender the Island to any person to whom the City might see fit to lease it, without any notice to quit, as soon as the purpose for which he hired it was accomplished. Your Committee therefore recommend that Deer Island should be forthwith leased either to the present Lessees or to some responsible person. In regard to leasing the same by auction, it is not believed that by so doing it could be rented so advantageously to the City as could be done by giving public notice for proposals, from which it was wishing to hire the same and then therefore report that it is not expedient to lease said Island by auction. And after a full consideration of the whole subject the Committee beg leave to offer the following order, vizt Ordered, that the Mayor and Aldermen be instructed to give public notice, by advertising in one or more newspapers to all persons wishing to hire Deer Island to make their proposals for the same within such time as the said Mayor and Aldermen may deem expedient...

Ordered that the Mayor and Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized to lease on behalf of the City Deer Island or any part thereof upon such conditions and restrictions, for such term of time and rent and to such persons as they may deem most for the interest of the City. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore. Read and accepted in Common Council, and the order passed. Came up for concurrence... Read and concurred...



Ordered, that public notice be given to 295.  
all persons wishing to hire Deer Island, or any part thereof, Deer Island  
to make their proposals for the same within ten days. notice

Ordered, that Aldermen Holmors, Tighton, Deer Island  
and Gurney be a committee to receive proposals for a lease Committee on  
of Deer Island and to contract for a lease of the same, or any  
part thereof, for such time not exceeding three years, and for  
such rent not less than four hundred dollars, and under  
such restrictions and conditions as they may deem expedient.

The Committee of Conference on the part House of  
of this board on the subject matter of difference between the board and  
two branches of the City government on the order establishing Master, Master  
the salary of the master of the House of Correction, reported,  
that this board ought to recede from its vote by which the  
salary of said Master was increased from \$500 to \$1000 - that  
the same ought to be reconsidered. Read, accepted and the  
same was reconsidered accordingly.

The Committee of Conference on the part Contracts on  
of this board on the subject matter of difference between the board and  
two branches of the City government on the order instructing  
the committees charged with making contracts for the  
erection or repair of public buildings, on behalf of the City  
to advertise for proposals in certain cases, reported, that  
this board ought to adhere to its vote of concurrence  
with the Common Council. Read, accepted and this  
board adheres accordingly.

296.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred  
 Sea wall an order of the City Council making an appropriation of three  
 hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose of completing a sea  
 wall at the House of Correction reported, an order with amend-  
 ments. Read, accepted, and the order passed the Common  
 Council, as amended, as follows vizt. Ordered, that a sum  
 not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, in addition  
 to the present appropriation to defray the expense of a sea  
 wall round the establishment for the House of Correction  
 at South Boston and that the same be well drawn from the  
 fund for building reservoirs. - Came up for concurrence  
 Read and concurred.

Burkley

Petition of Thompson O. Burkley for a license  
 to exhibit Equestrian Exhibitions in a building to be erected  
 on Charlestown Street. Referred to Aldermen Loughton  
 and Gurney.

Hook and Ladder  
 Company No. 2.

Petition of the Hook and Ladder Com-  
 pany, No. 2. That a more commodious house may be furnished  
 them. - Referred to the Committee on the fire department.

Bullard  
 Car

The Committee on the petition of Otis Bullard  
 and others to have Cars coming over the neck, the bridges  
 from South Boston, and the Western Avenue weighed  
 at the southern scales, reported, that it is inexpedient  
 to take any order thereon. - Read and accepted.

M. Hume  
 Application

Ordered, that a room in the Bowdoin  
 School house, be granted to the Massachusetts Charitable  
 Mechanic



mechanic association for the purpose of teaching apprentices 297.  
in the evening, the ensuing season; provided one of  
the Instructors of said school shall be hired to instruct  
therein.

Petition of Daniel Hastings to have the Hastings  
school times altered, for the payment of his notes and Mat-  
gage. Read and referred to the committee on finance to  
consider and report... Sent down for concurrence.

Proprietors of Union Wharf account of Union  
the City for removing stores and foundations from that Wharf  
part of said wharf taken for the extension of Commercial  
Street, per agreement. Referred to Aldermen Leighton  
and Gurney.

The Committee on the Petition of the second 2<sup>nd</sup> Baptist  
Baptist Society to have a common sewer laid leading from Society Baldwin  
Baldwin place, reported, that an order of notice be published Place  
ed in the usual form returnable on Monday next.  
Read and accepted.

The joint Committee appointed "to cause House of  
to be erected a building for the inmates of the house of Reformation  
mation" and who were directed to report as soon as practi-  
cable the difference of expense arising from the use of  
"Brick or Stone and their opinion as to which material  
should be used," have attended to the subject and ask leave  
to Report in part, that they have made diligent enquiry  
as to the relative expense of Brick and Stone as material  
for said building and have received from a practical  
mechanic

298. Mechanic on whose judgment they have great reliance  
the following estimate viz<sup>t</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> For building the outside  
walls of brick with stone basement, butt & cornice \$9,542.

to which add for faced brick  $\$4,250$   
\$9,769.

2<sup>nd</sup> For building with rough ashlar, backed  
with rubble. 10,496.

3<sup>d</sup> For building with solid Ashlar, making the  
whole thickness of the wall 12,631.

The Committee, tho they believe the above estimate to  
be generally as correct as could be made, are nevertheless  
of opinion that the cost of the Stone has been overestimated  
and they derive this opinion from some offers which have been  
made to furnish the Stone at a price below what it was im-  
agined it would cost when said estimate was made, and  
they would further observe, that if the convicts in the  
House of Correction are to be employed as will undoubtedly  
be the case, the relative cost of building with brick or Stone  
would be much reduced in favour of the latter material.  
The Committee therefore report, that in their opinion, the  
building proposed, ought to be of Stone and that it ought  
to be constructed in the second mode before mentioned  
viz<sup>t</sup> of rough ashlar backed with rubble the same being  
hammered bed & build. For the Committee. Thomas  
Metmore. - Accepted in Common Council. Came up for  
concurrence. Read and concurred.

Street Laying. A motion was made, that the following be  
from the Street, to be passed viz<sup>t</sup> Resolved that the safety and convenience  
of the inhabitants of the City require, that a street  
be laid



laid out by this board on the tenth day of March 299.

A.D. 1834. leading from Ann street to Commercial street  
opposite the head of Union wharf, & as the same is  
hereby discontinued as a public street and highway;  
which was read as also a letter from Charles P. Curtis, Curtis  
Esquire, to the Mayor upon the subject, and after discuss-  
ion the whole subject was laid upon the table.

2. Adjourned to Monday next, 4 Clock  
P.M.

3. Had a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall, on Monday the  
twentieth day of October Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder-  
man Greble.

The lists of voters being completed, the super-<sup>visor</sup>  
ordered, that public notice be given that they may be seen, Lists of  
at the Mayor and Aldermens room and at the assessors office,  
and one copy in each ward, and one at South Boston, at the  
Hawes School house. All legal voters are requested to

300. that their names are inserted on the lists, and the Mayor and Aldermen will attend at their room every day until the eighth day of November next inclusive, for the purpose of inserting such names as may be omitted, and changing the names of such as have removed from one ward to another, since the first day of May last...

Warrants for  
Ward meetings.

Ordered, that warrants, be issued, for the meetings of the Inhabitants of the City, in their respective wards on Monday the tenth day of November next, being the second Monday of said month, at eleven o'clock, A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for Governor and Lieutenant Governor also six Senators for the district of Suffolk. Also sixty seven Representatives to represent the City in the next General Court, that being the number agreed upon by the City Council - Also a Representative for Congressional district number one, to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the next Congress of the United States. Ordered, that the poll be kept open until 4 o'clock P.M.

Primary Schools  
Said for.

Order of the Common Council authorizing the Committee on Primary Schools to procure such fuel as may be necessary for the use of said schools, the bills to be rendered at the Auditors Office for payment, and charged to the appropriation for the primary Schools. Came up for concurrence... Read and concurred.

House of  
Representatives.

Order of the Common Council instructing the Committee on the Petition of the House of Reformation, so far to alter the plan of the same, as to provide for a cellar under the whole of said building. - Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.



Order of the Common Council instructing 301.  
the joint committee on lighting the streets with Gas, to ascer- Gas  
tain the practicability and consider the expediency of con-  
veying the Gas from the walls of buildings, where the sidewalks  
may be too narrow to be obstructed by the iron posts. - Came  
up for concurrence. - Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council, instructing, to counts  
the committee of accounts, as soon as may be after every month Committee on  
this matter to make report to the City Council of their long instruction.  
for the past month in a general statement, containing  
transcript of so much of the month's doings, as the measure  
as comprises the names of the parties to each of the bills ap-  
proved by the Committee, and their respective amounts to-  
gether with the names of the Chairmen of Committees,  
endorsing the same; but giving only the general totals un-  
der each head of payment, made on account of salaries to  
the City officers, Instructors of the public Schools, the City  
Watch, Lamp lighters and Constables, and including all com-  
pensations for extra clerk hire. - Came up for concurrence.  
Read & not concurred.

The Committee on the petition of Thompson, Burkley  
Burkley for a license to exhibit Equestrian exhibitions in a Equestrian  
building to be erected on Chestnut Street reported that  
license be granted, during the pleasure of this board, on con-  
dition that the petitioner keep an efficient police, satisfactory  
to the Mayor and Aldermen for the purpose of keeping good or-  
der, and also paying five dollars per month. Resolved accepted.

The Committee on the petition of Dear  
 Doctor Foster for a license to exhibit his grand Omnibus of the  
 Committee of fine arts. Reported that a license is granted to stand in  
 arts. Dock square, near Engine house, subject to be removed at any  
 time. Read and accepted.

Auctioneer.

Abraham Lansing licensed as an Auctioneer  
 on giving bonds according to law.

Union Wharf.

Proprietors of Union Wharfs bill amounting  
 to three thousand and thirty three dollars and eight cents  
 report of the Committee.

Primary School  
 Committee.

The Committee on the Petition of Primary  
 School Committee of district N<sup>o</sup> 3. for extra rents reported, that  
 the prayer thereof ought to be granted, and that the balance  
 therein mentioned vizt. twenty two dollars and seventy three cents  
 ought to be paid by the City. Read and accepted.

Privy

Petition of Edward Baker, Sr. Caretaker  
 enter his drain into the common sewer in 4 Blackstone Street.  
 Read and granted on condition that he shall discontinue his  
 suit against the City now pending in the County of Norfolk,  
 and to remove the privies from his estate.

Treasurer and Auditor  
 Mortgages dish

The City Treasurer and Auditor having cer-  
 tified that the following mortgages to the City were fully paid  
 and satisfied, vizt. Nathaniel D. Yore for seven hundred and  
 eighty three dollars and thirty six cents recorded with Suffolk  
 Court.



deeds Lib. 350. fol. 13... Also another from the same for Eight 303.  
hundred and thirty two dollars recorded in said records Lib.  
353. fol. 13... Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor  
be authorized and requested to discharge the same on the  
records...

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was Loverly  
referred, the petition of Samuel Loverly Junior, praying,  
that some allowance may be made him, in consequence of  
having purchased a piece of Neck Lands some years since,  
the same being very much reduced in value. Reported; that  
the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition... Read.  
and accepted... sent down for consideration.

Same up concurred.

Petition of Bryant P. Tilden to be allowed Tilden  
rent, for half of the land and building near Boston South  
bridge, belonging to the estate of the late William Brown, Esq.  
deceased. Reported to the Committee on Public Lands.

Ordered, that there be paid to Daniel Baxter T. Baxter  
on or before the fifth of November next, the sum of twelve T. Blackstone  
thousand, six hundred, and thirty eight dollars for a lot of Street.  
land taken to make T. Blackstone Street, and bounded south  
easterly on land of Doctor George C. Shattuck; north westerly  
on land lately conveyed to the City by John D. Williams, and  
northerly on the Old mill Creek. said T. Baxter to give to the  
City a good and sufficient deed and in full discharge.

Adjourned to Monday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the third day of November, Anno Domini 1834.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Greble.

House of Reformation

Directors chosen

Agreeably to assignment the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of nine Directors of the House of Reformation and the vote being taken it appeared that Messrs Edward D. C. Chandler, Philip Smith, Amos A. Phelps, Joseph Jackson, William H. Sullivan, George W. Emerson, John L. Pimmock, Henry S. Parker and Ira C. Smith were unanimously chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Auctioneers

That Saml. May and Stephen H. Stephen be appointed Auctioneers, and their bonds approved.

Jonks

Commercial

Street

Petition of Susan Jonks to be indemnified for land taken to make Commercial Street. Referred to Aldermen Highton and Gurney.

Franklin fund

Treasurer's

account.

Ordered, that Aldermen Salist, Putnam and West be appointed a committee to audit the accounts of William Hinch, Inquire Treasurer of the Franklin fund.

Boston and

Worcester

Rail Road

Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation, praying leave to extend their road across Washington Street, the present season, and so that they may be able to take up the passengers and to construct the travelling



through the street at that point, for such time as may be 303.  
necessary to accomplish the work. Referred to Aldermen  
Wilmore, Ellis and Eliot...

Petition of Charles McDard, and others, McDard  
for the use of the primary school room, south street court, for a  
Sunday school... Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham

Petition of the Volunteer Companies of Volunteers  
Militia who did duty during the late disturbances, occa- Companies.  
sioned by the burning of the Ursuline convent at Charles  
town, to be reimbursed certain expenses... Referred to the Mayor  
Aldermen Dunham & Gurney.

The Superintendent of Public Lands made  
his quarterly report of the sale of public land, amounting Superintendent  
to Four thousand, two hundred and forty dollars, and eight cents, quarterly report  
read and sent down.

Three Petitions for the use of Faneuil Hall, Faneuil Hall  
for Sunday evening next, to hold a caucus, vizt Charles W. Caucus  
Cartwright, and others, Charles Henshaw, and others, and Abner  
Phelps, and others. Agreeably to the rule the parties drew lots.  
Charles Henshaw and others drew N<sup>o</sup> 1, and selected Sunday  
evening next; Charles W. Cartwright, & others drew N<sup>o</sup> 2, and  
selected Saturday evening, and Abner Phelps and others drew  
N<sup>o</sup> 3, and selected Friday evening, and the Hall was granted  
accordingly.

Auditors  
Account

The Auditors of accounts of the state of the various specific appropriations granted by the City Council for the service of the current financial year. Reported in the Common Council to the Committee on the creation of the Court House. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Primary  
Schools.

Notice was received, that the Common Council had non concurred in the passage of the order to make alterations in the first room in the Hancock School House to accommodate two Primary Schools.

Bagnall  
Engine, N. S.

The Committee on the fire department reported that the petitioners headed Thomas Bagnall Jr and others, be accepted, and approved of as company attached to Engine N. S., and they are hereby authorized to take the care & charge of said Engine. Read and accepted.

American Ins.  
Committee.

The Committee on the petition of the American Insurance Company, to have a common sewer laid in State street, reported, that an order of Notice be issued in the common form returnable on Monday next 4 o'clock P. M. Read, accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Engine Company  
N. S.,

The Committee on the fire department reported, that Engine Company N. S. be discharged at their own request, from the current charge of that engine.

Read and accepted.



The Committee on the petition of John Duv. 307.  
in part, for leave to erect arches under the sidewalk in Pearl (Davenport  
street, reported that leave be granted under the order of the committee of the district. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next 1834.  
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At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall on Monday the  
tenth day of November. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except Alder-  
men Dunham, Gurney and Greele.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given agreeable to the order passed at the last meeting on the petition of the American Insurance Company that a com-  
mon sewer be laid in State Street. And now no person ap-  
pearing to object, it is thereupon Ordered, that said sewer be  
laid as prayed for, from Exchange street to the Boston Bank,  
and the expense thereof be paid according to law upon those  
whose estates shall be assessed thereby.

American  
Insurance  
Company State  
Street.

Wheatport  
Fall Lane.

The Committee on the Petition of William W. Bradford, to have the common sewer raised in Fall Lane, reported, that an order of notice be issued in the usual form, returnable on Monday next.

Crocker  
Ash Street.

Petition of Thomas Crocker to be paid for land taken to make Ash Street. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham

Hells

Memorial of Charles C. Wells, & others concerning trucks and carts standing in Water Street. Referred to Aldermen Holmore & Gracie.

Militia  
Companies...

Ordered, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to each member of the Militia borne on the several rolls returned according to law who have during the current year kept themselves constantly armed, uniformed and equipped, and have performed the active duty required by law according to the statute in such case made and provided the sum of three dollars each.

Primary  
School

Ordered, that the committee on public buildings be authorized to lease the buildings on South Margin Street, hired for a primary school or to surrender the unexpired term of the lease which the City now have, to the lessee.

Washington  
Street

Ordered, that Washington Street from Castle Street to Mechanic place be closed, during the construction of the Rail road across the same.



The Committee on the Petition of the Boston, 309.  
and Worcester Rail. road Corporation, to close Washington Street, "Rail Road",  
from Castle Street to Mechanic place, during the construction  
of the Rail road across the same. Report that the same ought  
to be granted, and that the Corporation therein mentioned  
be permitted to construct a rail road north and west  
Washington Street, and to erect a wooden bridge over the same.  
Provided however that said Corporation comply with the  
several requisitions contained in a resolution of this board  
passed August 11<sup>th</sup> 1835 relating to the subject and that said  
Corporation also covenant to keep said bridge in repair. For  
the Committee... Thomas Melmore... Read and accepted.

The Committee to whom the Petition of Tuckerman  
Edward Tuckerman, Esquire, requesting that edge stones gutters, Tuckerman  
and side walks may be placed in a new street made by him ex- Dover Street  
tending from Suffolk to Tremont Street was referred have atten-  
ted to the subject, and ask leave to Report, that it is im-  
perious to place the gutters and side walks in said street but  
in consequence of Mr Tuckermans relinquishing to the City about  
seventeen Thousand feet of land in a street running from Wash-  
ington to Suffolk Street and also a small triangular piece  
of land in Suffolk Street and also as remuneration in part  
for the expense of making a new street from Washington to  
Tremont Street which street is a great accommodation to  
the public the committee recommend the following order.  
For the Committee Sabez Ellis. -- Read and accepted &  
the following Order and resolve passed viz. Ordered that  
there be allowed and paid to Edward Tuckerman Esquire in

310. and compensation as a lot of two thousand feet of land in a new street running from Washington to Suffolk street and also a small triangular piece of land in Suffolk street; and also as compensation in full for making said new street from Washington to Tremont street, the sum of two thousand dollars.

Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants require that a street of fifty feet in width should be laid out commencing at Washington street between the brick store of Edward Tuckerman, Esq. and the brick house of George Archbold and extending from thence to Tremont street, the southerly line of said street to be parallel with the boundary line between the flats of the said Edward Tuckerman estate and the flats belonging to the City of Boston & at the distance of seventy three feet and six inches therefrom as per plan by Stephen P. Fuller, Esquire and the same is hereby laid out as a street and public highway and the same together with the street running from the Boston South Bridge to Washington street shall be known by the name of Dover street.

Quarantine  
boat.

The Committee on Quarantine respectfully represent that the Quarantine boat Massachusetts is very much out of repair, so much so that the amount necessary to be expended to render it sea worthy is so great, that it is worthy the consideration of the City government, whether it would not be better to purchase or build a new boat and sell the present one. Your Committee have caused a survey and estimate to be made (and the same is herewith submitted)

and



and they are decidedly of opinion that it would not be for 311.  
the interest of the City to expend any money in repairing the  
old boat, but that it is advisable to sell it and purchase  
or cause to be built a new one. For which purpose they  
offer the following order. For the Committee to read the same  
Read and accepted and thereupon Ordered, that the  
Committee of the Board of Aldermen on Quarantine, be  
authorized to purchase or cause to be built a new boat for  
the Quarantine department, provided that the same do not  
cost a sum exceeding twenty one hundred dollars and that  
said Committee be likewise authorized to sell the Quarantine  
boat Massachusetts. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Order of the Common Council appointing Unfinished  
Messrs William Thayer and Craig, with such as the Board business  
or Aldermen might join, a committee to examine and report  
what unfinished business if any there may be which require  
the attention of the present City Council. Came up for con-  
currence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Holman  
Brighton were joined.

Adjourned to 4 o'clock tomorrow  
afternoon.

212.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Sunday the eleven  
th day of November Anno Domini 1834.

Present

The Mayor Aldermen Ellis, Wetmore, Leighton & Eliot.

Votes

The returns of Votes from the several wards,  
not being all made, the board adjourned to 4 o'clock to-  
morrow after noon.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the  
twelfth day of November Anno Domini 1834.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except  
Alderman Bates

Gov. Lt Gov.

Senators &

Representatives

The board proceeded to examine the returns<sup>of votes</sup>  
from the several wards as given in on Monday last viz  
Representative for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senator & Representative,  
and found them as recorded in the book kept for that pur-  
pose.

Ordered, that the several certificates be made out, signed  
and returned according to law and that notices be made out  
directed to the several persons who have been chosen Represent-  
to be delivered to them by an officer according to law.



The Committee to whom was referred the  
petition of Luke Brooks a tenant of the Fifty associates for  
damages occasioned by widening Elm street, Report that  
the Mayor be authorized to refer the amount to be paid if  
any, by the City, to the same referees who have in considera-  
tion the question of damages between the City and said Fifty asso-  
ciates. — For the Committee Thomas Wetmore. —

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Brooks.

Read & accepted.

Adjourned to one o'clock tomorrow after-  
noon. —

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the  
thirteenth day of November Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Al-  
derman Talbot.

Ordered, that the Committee to whom was  
referred the Petition of the Boston and Worcester Rail road  
corporation for leave to construct their rail road across  
Washington street be authorized to make such arrangement  
with said corporation, for the conveyance of any waste water  
which may be occasioned in said street, by reason

Rail

Road.

514. of the construction of said Road, as they may deem expedient.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock  
P. M.

Met a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the seven-  
teenth day of November. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder-  
man [unclear].

Water

Order of Common Council, directing, that  
seven thousand copies of the report, together with the accom-  
panying plan of the water works, and the method of intro-  
ducing water into the City be printed under the direction  
of the Committee on that subject, with so much of the appendix  
as in their opinion may be expedient, and that said copies  
be distributed among the Citizens - Came up for concurrence.  
Read & concurred.

Water

The committee who were instructed to cause  
a survey to be made by competent persons, for the purpose  
of ascertaining whether a steady and copious supply of pure



and soft water, can be obtained, and also what will be the best 315.  
mode and the cost of introducing such supply of water into the  
City, now submit, for the consideration of the City Council,  
a report made on that subject and in pursuance of that res-  
olution, Loammi Baldwin. The report is very elaborate,  
and in great detail, embracing a careful survey of all the  
sources of water likely to yield a sufficient supply, within a  
suitable distance from Boston, together with the survey of  
a route by which one of those sources can be brought to the  
City, accompanied with a plan of the route, together with  
the levels, sections &c. The report also contains an interesting  
and valuable account of water procured from common  
bored or artesian wells, cisterns and aqueducts, as well  
as other works connected with the general subject of sup-  
plying towns, both in ancient and modern times, as well  
also in Europe, as on this continent. Among other inter-  
esting documents in the appendix, there is a detailed re-  
port of the present condition of Jamaica Pond, with es-  
timates of its capacity, and means of a more extended supply.

This Report therefore as far as the Committee are  
capable of judging, contains a minute, full, and valuable  
examination of the whole subject of bringing water into the  
City, a subject of extreme importance to the Citizens, and one  
that has been long and much discussed and investigated.

A copious supply of pure and soft water is one  
of those improvements in the state of society in modern  
times, that sooner or later will probably be adopted in  
this, as in other great cities of this continent. But both  
on account of the great expense involved, and the time

316. required for the completion of the work, this is an undertaking that should not be acted and decided on, without the most patient deliberation and a free examination of all the facts connected with the matter. It seems therefore proper and necessary, that the people should be consulted in a direct & formal manner concerning a subject that so deeply affects their pecuniary interests, and their comfort and welfare.

The present report appears to furnish all the information that that can be desired, or in a general way obtained, in order to enable the citizens to arrive at a just and satisfactory conclusion. The Committee consider it as complete, and taking into view the great experience and reputation of the Engineer, it is believed that the fullest confidence may be placed on his survey and conclusions. There is therefore no reason to suppose, that it will ever be necessary for the City Council to go to further expenses for the purpose of procuring surveys. On this account, and more especially as this is a question which, in fact, can only be settled by the citizens themselves, the committee are of opinion, that it is desirable that the body of this report, together with a plan of the route, and such portions of the Appendix, as relate immediately to the subject of bringing water into the City, should be printed for general distribution. According to enquiries that have been made, the cost of 7000 copies will not exceed 500 or 550 dollars. The committee also submit an account of the Engineer, for expenses in causing this survey to be made, amounting in the whole to \$3,422.88, including a charge of 1500 dollars for the services of the Engineer. The City Council originally appropriated 2000 dollars. In making an arrangement with the Engineer



it was not possible from the nature of the work, to anticipate 317:  
precisely what would be the cost of a full and careful survey  
at the same time, it was extremely desirable that the report  
should be of such a nature as to be considered final, and as  
to render future or further expense unnecessary. For the  
Committee, Theodore Lyman Jr. Read and accepted in  
Common Council. - Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council referring Water  
to the Committee of finance the order; directing that there  
be added to the appropriation for a survey in relation to the  
introduction of a supply of pure and soft water into the City,  
the sum of two thousand dollars. - Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Memorial of Samuel Hammond, respect-  
ing the line of his estate, where he is building on Ann street...  
Referred to Aldermen Leighton and Gurney.

Memorial of the Chief Engineer of the Chief Engineer  
fire department respecting Engine Company #13 having fire department  
violated the rules and regulations of the fire department, Engine #13.  
and of the special orders of the board of Engineers in going  
from the City to a fire, and in a contrary direction than  
is permitted by said rules and orders. - Referred to the Com-  
mittee on the fire department.

Petition of Joel Wheeler and others praying Wheeler  
that Castle Street be widened. Referred to Aldermen Linn, Castle and  
and Dunham.

*Rail Road.* The Committee who were instructed to confer with such committee or agents of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road and to report to this board, upon the expediency of erecting gates upon their road, where it crosses any street or highway, made a report, that, that it is inexpedient for this board to take any order thereon. That one is committed, with instructions to cause such gates to be made at the expense of said Corporation.

*Streets at South Boston.* An order appropriating twenty five hundred dollars for repairs already incurred for grading streets at South Boston; and that said amount be taken from the appropriation for the Internal Health department. Referred to the Committee on finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

*Crocker.* Petition of Thomas Crocker, for himself and as Guardian of his children to be paid for land taken to extend Ash street. Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Durham.

*Whitney.* Petition of Jonathan Whitney, to be paid for land taken to make Clinton street in the year 1831. Referred to Aldermen Durbin and Curran.

*Register of deeds.* The Committee on accounts reported that the account of the Register of deeds for examining and comparing indexes be passed and paid. Decided.

*Madford Salt Lane.* It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order of this board, passed on Monday.



day last, on the petition of William B. Bradford, that a 319.  
Common sewer be laid in Salt Lane... And now no person  
appearing to object it is thereupon ordered, that said common  
sewer be laid under the direction of the Committee of the  
district, and the expense thereof assessed upon those whose es-  
tates shall be benefitted thereby, according to law.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized and Barton  
requested to discharge a mortgage given by the Barton Point ap- Point association.  
ciation, as it respects a single lot of land upon said Corporation  
paying to the City four thousand dollars the Committee on  
the reduction of the City debt having signified in writing their  
assent to the same.

The Committee to whom was referred the South  
communication of the South Cove Corporation concerning Cove.  
drains and common sewers through their land, reported,  
that they had examined said drains from time to time  
during their construction and find that they are four  
by two and one half feet in the clear, and are constructed  
of Gumlock Timber six inches in thickness on the sides  
top, with a plank bottom placed on piles firmly driven to  
the clay, and in the opinion of the Committee are of sufficient  
dimensions and are firm and durable. For the Committee.  
Saber, Clerk... Read and accepted.

The Committee on the petition of David Griggs  
N. Griggs and others, that a sewer should be laid from  
to the Roxbury line, reported, that it is inexpedient for the City to  
construct the same. -- Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock P. M.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fourth day of December Anno Domini 1832.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bates.

Howe

Petition of Joseph Rowe, and others, owners of Rowe's pasture offering, for the acceptance of the City a street laid out by them through their land between Essex street and Bedford Street; and that the same be called after the name of their ancestor, Rowe Street. - Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham.

Rail Road.

The Committee who were instructed to cause gates to be erected upon the Boston & Worcester Rail Road, where it crosses any street or highway, at the expense of said Corporation, reported, that a gate has been erected as requested.

Read and accepted.

Hells  
Water Street

The Committee on the Petition of Charles Hells and others, to have trucks and carts prohibited from standing in Water Street reported, that the City Marshal cause all persons to be forbidden to stand with carts or trucks on the south side of said street. Read and accepted.

Harrington &  
Morris

Applications of John Harrington to be licensed to exhibit as a ventriloquist, for one week and Joseph Morris to exhibit equestrian performances at the Theatre Flagging up. Referred to select committee.



The Committee on the Petition of Isaac 221.

Thordike for leave to enlarge the sidewalks in the front of his building on Congress Street and Congress Square, reported, that leave has been granted, and the sidewalks extended, according to...  
(Read and accepted.)

The Committee on the Petition of Silas Atkins

Atkins, claiming compensation for land taken some years since to widen Lynn Street as he alleges, reported, that the subject has been fully considered by a former committee, and their conclusion ought to be satisfactory to the petitioner, that his claim cannot be admitted...  
(Read and accepted.)

The Committee on the Petition of the Leves City Wharf

of the City wharf, to have their sidewalks relaid, reported, that it is not expedient to grant the prayer of said petition the present year...  
(Read and accepted.)

The Committee on the Petition of Cornelius Bird

Bird, occupant of a cellar in the Market House, for a reduction of rent, reported, that a reduction of two dollars a quarter ought to be granted...  
(Read and accepted.)

Petition of Francis Jackson, and others, Jackson

that Cows may be restrained from running at large, & that this subject be referred to the City Marshal...  
(Read and accepted.)

Petition of ... ..

... ..





of the said conditions. and the Committee recommended, that 323.  
the Mayor be authorized to sign a lease of said Island on the fore-  
going terms. For the Committee. Thomas Wetmore.

Read and accepted.

The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of Franklin  
of William Minot, Esquire, Treasurer of the Franklin Fund, reported  
and that they have examined the accounts, and found them cor-  
rect, and recommended the passage of the following order. For  
the Committee. Samuel A. Cabot. Read and accepted. Thereupon  
Ordered, that the Treasurer of the Franklin Fund be authorized  
to invest the sum of six hundred dollars in the Massachusetts  
Hospital Life Insurance Office. Ordered, that the Treasurer  
of the Franklin Fund, sue all delinquents, after giving them sixty days  
notice.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Crocker  
of Thomas Crocker, to be paid for land taken for the extension  
of Ash street, have attended to the subject and ask leave to  
offer the following Order. Taber Ellis for the Committee.  
Read and accepted, and thereupon Ordered, that there  
be allowed and paid to Thomas Crocker two hundred and  
forty four dollars in full compensation to himself and as guaran-  
tee for his children for four hundred and eighty eight feet  
of land taken for the extension of Ash street provided he gives  
a good & sufficient release to the City of the same.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the  
petition of the Liverpool wharf corporation and who were ap-  
pointed a Committee to meet one in behalf of said corporation.

224. To investigate facts and to report on the  
final settlement of any claim of said corporation on said City  
by reason of the laying out of Broad Street, have attended to the  
subject and have met said committee and report that they  
are of the same opinion as stated in their former report viz  
that said corporation has suffered no damage from the City  
and they ask leave to be discharged. For the Committee  
Thomas Belmont and others were appointed to request the cor-  
poration to withdraw their memorial and the appropriation

Guil.  
Washington  
Street.

Ordered that there be paid to Benjamin Guild  
in addition to the sum of three hundred and twenty six dollars  
heretofore allowed the further sum of two hundred and four dol-  
lars, making together the sum of five hundred and thirty, &c.  
the same to be in full payment for one hundred and six  
feet land taken to widen Washington Street, provided that said  
Guild give a good & sufficient deed therefor.

Whitings  
Start Street.

The Committee on the Petition of Lot Wheel-  
wright, and others, to have the easterly end of Pearl Street wi-  
dened. Reported that the appropriation for the subject is  
estimated at \$1000.00 and recommended that the same  
to be made at present and they recommend it to the attention  
of the next board. For the Committee Thomas Belmont.

Read and adopted.

Committee  
Merchants Row  
and Ann Street.

The Committee on the Petition of Samuel  
Hammond to make an exchange of land with the City, at the  
corner of Merchants Row and Ann Street, Report that they



have agreed with Mr Hammond to discontinue a small part 325.  
of the street on merchants row, containing about twelve feet  
six inches, on condition, that he relinquishes all claim on the  
city for about twenty five feet of land on Ann Street partly  
on the northern and partly on the southern sides of Ann Street,  
which arrangement Mr Hammond has assented to. The com-  
mittee would therefore ask leave to offer the following Resolves.  
Charles Lighton Nathan Gurney Committee. Read and  
accepted and thereupon Resolved, that the public safety &  
convenience requires that so much of the public highway at  
the corner of Merchants row and Ann Street and adjoining  
the estate of Samuel Hammond, as may be contained  
in a segment of a circle the radius of which is seven feet and  
the more particular description of which reference is made  
to a plan drawn by Stephen T. Fuller, signed by the Mayor  
beginning at a point marked A. thence on a straight line  
to B. thence on a circle to C. and thence from C to A. contain-  
ing about twelve feet and six inches be discontinued as a  
Public Highway.

Adjourned to Monday next 2 o'clock

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen  
of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the first  
day of December Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Messrs  
Fales and Gurney...

Bradlee

Remonstrance of John W. Bradlee, and

others, against

"Howe place being made a street or highway."  
Referred to Aldermen Ellis and Dunham...

Sea wall

The Joint Committee appointed with  
instructions to cause a sea wall to be constructed in front of  
the House of Correction, at South Boston, Reported, that they  
have completed the same, with a permanent stone coping  
on the same... Read and accepted... Sent down for concurrence.  
Came up concurred...

Common

sewers

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized  
to employ a surveyor, whose special duty it shall be to lay down  
the plans and description in the books of the City, of all those  
common sewers heretofore constructed, which have not yet  
been entered in said books...

Warrants for

next meeting

Ordered, that warrants be issued for  
meetings of the Inhabitants in their several wards, on  
Monday next, eleven o'clock, A.M. to give in their ballots  
Wardens, Clerks, inspectors of elections, members of the  
Common Council, overseers of the poor, members of the  
School





Lafferty.

Petition of Francis Lafferty, to be remunerated the damage he sustained in being upset and his carriage damaged, in passing through Hawkins street. Referred to Aldermen Wilmore and Greele.

Weatherbee

Broad Street.

Petition of Elijah T. Weatherbee, claiming damage for taking his land to extend Broad Street. Referred to the City Solicitor.

Primer, Robert

district N.Y.

Reported, that they have completed said house and it is now occupied as a School. Read and accepted. No concurrence. Came up occurred.

Mansfield.

Petition of Isaac Mansfield trustee to the estate of Mrs C. C. Whitaker, to be relieved from the payment of the said estate as against the said estate. Referred to Aldermen Wilmore and Eliot.

Davis.

Ordered, that there be paid to James Davis on or before the fifth instant seven hundred and sixty dollars and forty cents, and interest from the first day of May last for 1051 feet of land, taken to make Blackstone street, said Davis to give a good and sufficient deed of said land, inquit of all damages.

Oliver Oliver

Ordered, that there be paid to James Davis and Henry J. Oliver, on or before the fifth instant, two thousand two hundred and ninety dollars and fifty cents, with interest.



interest from the first day of May last, the same being for 329.  
1736 feet of land taken to make Blackstone street. said Davis  
and Oliver to give a good and sufficient deed of said land,  
in full for all damages.

The Committee from the Petition of <sup>Wheeler</sup>  
Wheeler and others, was referred, have attended to the Castle Street  
subject and ask leave to offer the following Resolves. Satisfy  
Ellis for the Committee. Read, accepted and thereupon  
Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require  
that Castle street should be widened by taking from the  
land of Edward Tuckerman, Esquire, eighteen hundred and  
thirty six square feet, bounded as follows southerly on said Castle  
street two hundred and ninety feet westerly on Tremont street  
six feet four inches northerly on said Tuckermans land two  
hundred and ninety feet easterly on a new street marked  
Village street six feet four inches and also by taking from the  
land of William Gardiner, eight hundred and sixty six feet and  
eight inches, bounded northerly on said Castle street, one  
hundred and thirty feet easterly on Village street  
and thirty feet southerly on said Gardiners land one hundred  
and thirty feet; westerly on Tremont street, six feet eight inches  
and also by taking one other piece from said Gardiners land  
containing eight hundred and thirty six feet and eight inches  
Castle street one hundred and twenty feet; easterly on Village  
street six feet eight inches southerly on said Gardiners land  
one hundred and twenty feet westerly on Tremont street six  
feet eight inches and also by taking one other piece from said  
Gardiners land containing seven hundred and seventy feet  
bounded

and bounded northerly on said Castle Street, one hundred and fifteen feet six inches; easterly on land of James Donnicen six feet eight inches southerly on said Gardiner's land one hundred and fifteen feet six inches; and Castle Street is hereby widened by adding the same amount of ground to the same as the same by the same survey.

Engine No. 13.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a memorial from the Committee of the Engineers relative to the alleged violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Fire Department and the resolutions of the Board of Engineers, by two of the officers and a portion of the members of Engine Company No. 13, do report, that they have received a letter signed by the foreman and one of the assistant foremen of said company in which after admitting the facts as above alleged, they proceed to state that it was not done with any intention on their part to put at defiance the Rules and Regulations of the Fire Department or the special order of the Board of Engineers, but promptly to obey them; for the conduct of the company at fires, we would refer them to the Chief Engineer. In consideration of the statement the foreman and volunterly made by the two officers present at the time the violation of the rules of the department was committed, and also considering that during the last summer this company was subjected to a most severe examination in consequence of a charge of an exceedingly gross nature and that in the same examination and during the same examination, the company was a part in the transactions on which this charge was founded;



The committee on the Fire department are of the opinion that the good of the service does not require at this time any other mark of censure than a formal expression of the entire disapprobation of this board of the conduct of the two officers and a portion of the members of Engine Company No 13 on the occasion specified. The committee are also of the opinion that the restrictions and limitations now established for prescribing the time and manner of proceeding to fires in the city are among the most valuable regulations of the Fire department. And if a violation of them should ever be visited only with a slight degree of reproof, it must arise from the absence of strongly extenuating circumstances; at the time No 13 went out of town it appears that there were two officers present. They are therefore, immediately, responsible that the rules and regulations of the department are obeyed. But in the absence of officers, the same responsibility devolves, in every respect, on the members present. This is the general principle of responsibility and subordination under which no member of the Fire department while on duty can for a moment be relieved. The committee now annex the order that follows. For the committee Theodore Lyman, Jr. Read, accepted & thereupon Ordered, that a copy of this report and order be sent to the Chief Engineer with directions to cause a copy of the same to be sent to every company in the department for the purpose of informing the same and to put them on their guard.

Attest my hand & seal this 2nd day of March.

502.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eighth day of December. Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole Board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Bates, Frighton and Tunkham...

Quarantines.

The Committee instructed to consider the expediency of making an alteration in the sixth section of the ordinance of the 14th June 1831. The Committee reported that it is not expedient to make any alteration in the section of the Ordinance above mentioned. Read and accepted in Common Council. - Came up for concurrence. - Read and concurred.

Water

Order of the Common Council adding to the appropriation for a survey in relation to the introduction of a supply of pure and soft water into the City the sum of two thousand dollars. And that there be withdrawn from the appropriation for the care and improvement of the public lands, the sum of one thousand dollars, and from the appropriation for filling reservoirs, the sum of one thousand dollars. - Came up for concurrence. - Read and concurred.

Debts due the  
City or collection

The Committee on the expediency of making provision for the more regular collection of debts due to and claimed by the City, reported an ordinance providing for the more regular collection of debts due to the City of Boston, which was read and referred to Aldermen Holmes and Gurney...



Publication of the Boston Infant School Society, 333.

Communication of Thomas C. Amory, Esq.

1851.  
Hilden. The Committee on the Petition of Bryo-  
Hilden to be allowed rent for half of the land and building  
near Boston South bridge; reported, that the petitioner has no  
just claim against the City. Read and accepted.

Gardner  
Hilden - Mortgage  
did not? The City Treasurer and Auditor having  
certified that the bond of Russell Gardner and Edwin Hilden  
were paid in full; Thereupon Ordered, that the Mayor be  
authorized and requested to discharge the mortgages on the  
record.

Mansfield. The Committee to whom was referred the pe-  
tition of Isaac Mansfield, Trustee, for an abatement of his taxes  
have attended to the subject committed to them and Report,  
that some doubts having been expressed as to the power of the  
Board to grant such a relief, and as the matter is an  
individual has been over rated by the assessors, they have de-  
voted their duty to examine carefully the provisions of the Statute  
on the subject and to state them fully, for the future govern-  
ment of the Board. By the act of 1785 Chapter 30. for the  
choice & appointment of Assessors and for assigning their pow-  
er and authority" it is provided (§10) that if any person shall  
make it appear to the assessors that he is rated more than his  
proportion for making the assessment, then the assessors shall  
make a reasonable abatement, and if they shall refuse so to  
do such person or persons complaining, in unto the next Court  
of General Sessions of the peace within the County, and making  
it appear that he or they are over rated as aforesaid, he or they  
shall be entitled to a writ of Habeas Corpus and to be reimbursed  
the value of the tax so paid. The Statute is found  
where.



where such a judgment was made, so much as the said Court or 355.  
appears shall so cause to abate him or them with the charges.

"By the act of 1803. Chapter. 154. The powers of the  
Court of Sessions before of the County of Suffolk  
to the Courts of Common Pleas, except as to estimating ap-  
portions and issuing warrants for assessing County taxes.

In 1807. (Chapter 24) the powers of the Courts of  
Sessions of the County of Suffolk were transferred to the Courts  
of Sessions. By the act 1809. ch. 18. All the powers of the Courts  
of Sessions were transferred to the Courts of Common Pleas.

In 1811. Ch. 81. The last mentioned act was repealed and the  
powers therein granted to the Courts of Common Pleas again  
vested in the Courts of Sessions. By act of 1813. Ch. 197. the  
act of 1811 Ch. 81. was repealed and the powers transferred to  
the Circuit Courts of Common Pleas, except in Suffolk, Nan-  
tucket and Dukes Counties. By act of 1813. Ch. 120. the last  
mentioned act was repealed, and all the powers again vested  
in the Court of Sessions, Suffolk &c being exempted from the op-  
eration of the act. In 1815 Ch. 130. the Court of Sessions  
were vested with the power given to the Circuit Courts of  
Common Pleas by the act of 1813 Ch. 197. And lastly by the  
Act of 1821 Ch. 109. The Court of Sessions within & for the County  
of Suffolk was abolished and it was declared, "That the Mayor  
and Aldermen of the City of Boston, for the time being, shall  
have all the power and perform all the duties which  
before and until the passing of this act, were had and per-  
formed by the Court of Sessions, excepting as otherwise pro-  
vided for by this act or any other act relating to the trans-  
fer of the power heretofore vested in said Court of Sessions". And

386. And there is no provision in said act or any other act by which the subject of the assessment or abatement of taxes is brought within this exception above mentioned. Your Committee are not aware of any other act or law relating to the subject and then therefore think that there can be no doubt, that at the passing of the act last recited, the Court of Sessions had all the power originally vested in the Courts of several Sessions of the Peace by the act of 1785 relating to the subject of taxes, and that the same were transferred to and are now vested in the Mayor and Aldermen. Considering therefore that an appeal may be sustained from the assessors to this board in all the cases mentioned in the act of 1785, it remains to be enquired if the Petitioners case is one of them; And your Committee are decidedly of opinion that it is not. The ninth section of that act provides that the assessors, before proceeding to make the assessment, shall give seasonable warning to the Inhabitants to come and show to the assessors a list of their property and of all their estates, both real and personal (savings such as are exempt from taxation). "and if any person or persons shall not bring in a list of their estates as aforesaid, to the assessors, or, she, or them, so neglecting or refusing shall not be allowed to make application to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, for an abatement or the abatement, or aid on him, her or them; unless such person or persons shall make an appeal to the said Court, that it was not within the power of him, her or them to deliver to the assessors such a list of his, her, or their ratable estate at the time appointed for that purpose. In this case the assessors



continued with the requisitions of the Statute and gave reasonable warning of the appointment, by publishing a notice in the public newspapers, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June giving the subscribers ten days to bring in their lists, and again on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June giving a further notice after days. And it appears likewise that the petitioner had personal notice of the same. The petitioner admits that he did not bring in a list of his estate, because "never having handed to the City a statement of his real property, it was not known to him, until the tax bill came to his notice, that he had any duty to do in relation to the trust fund, in his hands as subject to taxes". And by this statement your committee consider that, the petitioner relinquishes all claim to an appeal on the ground of being unable to deliver the list, & therefore does not come within the exception before recited. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the case presented is not one of which this board can have any cognizance and they report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and that they be discharged from any farther consideration of the subject. For the Committee Thomas Holmow. Read and accepted.

The joint Committee of the City Council who were authorized to purchase "the whole or any part of any estate abutting on either of the contemplated new streets" ask leave to report, that by virtue of the said authority they have purchased for the City, of Benjamin & T. Williams and others an estate at the corner of Hanover & Blackstone streets containing about two hundred and fifty two feet

338. and have agreed, on the part of the City, to give therefor one thousand eight hundred and eighty two dollars. For the Committee... Thomas Wetmore. Read and accepted in common council. Came up for concurrence.

House of  
Corrections

The Committee on the House of Corrections report that the petition of the convicts for the reformation of said offenders ask leave to report in part; That said work is in progress. The contract for the building of said House of Corrections has been made and the building is now in progress. The House of Corrections for the labour of the convicts in said House. But the Committee are of opinion that the building will be completed, as soon as is consistent, with a proper regard to the health of the convicts and that the expense will not exceed the amount originally contemplated. For the Committee... Thomas Wetmore. Read and accepted and down for concurrence. Came up for concurrence.

W. A. Lins

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Hastings, praying that three several notes held by the City, and due respectively in 1833, 1845 and 1855. should be put into one, and made payable in 1855. now report that neither the interest of the City, nor the practice of the City Council, require that any alteration should be made in the mode and time of payment of the notes above mentioned. For the Committee... Thomas Wetmore. Read and accepted, in common council. Came up for concurrence.

Read and accepted.



The joint Committee who were appointed, to  
superintend the erection of a Primary School house in  
District No. 3. ask leave to Report that they have caused to District No. 3.  
to erect a brick building two stories high in said District, in  
South Margin street, for the accommodation of School's No. 1102  
and 1103. The cost of the building is \$1,200.00  
in the same. They further report that the same has cost, two  
thousand, five hundred and twenty eight dollars and sixty  
nine cents. Read and accepted in Common Council.  
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee to whom were referred the  
several petitions, memorials, and other papers in relation to the  
erection or improvement of buildings for the use of the Primary  
Schools respectfully report, that they have purchased and  
filled up a three story brick house in South Court for the  
accommodation of two primary schools said building is  
now occupied by the two schools for whose use it was intended.  
The exchange of filthy and stinked apartments, for cleanly,  
spacious, and airy rooms will no doubt conduce to the health  
and happiness of the instructor and the instructed.  
The Committee have also contracted for the erection  
of a brick building on East street for the accommodation  
of the African Grammar School and two African primary  
schools. Said building will probably be completed and  
occupied early the coming spring. The cost of the build-  
ing in South Court is thirty eight hundred & seventy seven  
dollars and fifty one cents. For the Committee, J. M. Greer.  
Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for con-  
currence. Read and concurred.

220.  
Gas on lighting  
streets

The Committee appointed to report with  
gas on lighting the streets in which pipes of sufficient size have been laid  
by the Gas Company, ask leave to submit to City Council the  
following report, in conformity with the order passed 21st  
March last... The first step taken by the committee was to  
ascertain on what terms iron posts of sufficient size and  
weight, and of suitable construction, could be procured. The  
lowest proposals from any company in this city, with whom  
the committee conferred were at the rate of \$77.50 per ton,  
while offers were received from an iron master at Baltimore  
for the same quality of iron at a lower price. In consequence  
of the committee's determination to contract with a Boston company, the committee  
not deem it proper to pay so great a premium for that advantage  
and accordingly they ordered one hundred & ten  
lamp posts from Baltimore. These were to have been delivered  
early in the autumn; but in consequence, as the committee  
are informed, of illness among the workmen, 82 only have  
arrived; of which 71 were in season to be set before the frost  
rendered it of doubtful expedience to open the ground, & have  
accordingly been erected in Washington street, (extending as  
far as Edinb. street) in Dock square, part of Ann street; Union  
street; Hanover street; Court street; State, Exchange & Congress  
streets. Lanterns were procured of two sizes, the smaller to the  
number of 100 and 10 of a larger size for the purpose of admitting  
a larger jet and of being kept burning all night when the moon  
is not available, at corners of streets, in squares and other con-  
spicuous places. The hundred of smaller dimensions are to  
be put out at 12 o'clock or earlier if the moon is useful.



It was supposed that this would afford as many hours of useful light as is now furnished by the oil lanterns, and that the light at the corners of streets would answer every requisite purpose for the latter part of the night, and so far as the experiment has yet been tried, it is believed to conform to those anticipations.

The lanterns were constructed of copper, and glass of the best quality, by Mr Lewis Jones, at the price of \$6.50 for the smaller, and \$8.50 for the larger. The necessary tubes and burners have been furnished by the Gas Company with whom a contract

has been entered into, terminable at the pleasure of the City Government, for the requisite supply of Gas. In consequence of erecting the 71 gas lanterns, 116 of the oil lamps have been rendered unuseful, and consequently discontinued, and the comparative expense of lighting to the same extent with oil and with gas is as follows. Annual Cost of Gas for 71 lanterns per contract

\$777.45

Annual cost of care of lanterns

213.00

Interest on cost of 71 posts & lanterns at \$30.58 each

\$130.27

Annual cost of 116 oil lanterns at \$11.28 each, as

appears from the last published account of the City

1307.06

Interest on cost of 116 lanterns & iron at \$5 each

\$4.50

Balance in favor of Gas

\$223.12

The expense of repairs may be about the same for each mode of lighting, although the gas apparatus is of so substantial a character that it will last longer than the oil lantern.

It thus appears that the original expectation of the Committee with regard to the comparative expense, have a fair prospect of being realised; while it will scarcely be denied that a





...that the Board of Aldermen ...  
...of the ...  
...widening Ann Street according to a plan drawn by Stephen  
P. Fuller, dated November 3<sup>rd</sup> 1834. they therefore ask leave  
to offer the following resolution. Charles B. Bightlow, Nathan  
Gurney, Committee. Read, accepted and thereupon  
Resolved, that the safety and convenience of the inhabi-  
tants, require that Merchants Row, be continued to  
Blackstone Street, by widening Ann Street sixty feet on  
the corner of Blackstone Street and continue the line on  
Ann Street to the westerly side of Merchants Row, according  
to a plan drawn by Stephen P. Fuller, dated November 3<sup>rd</sup>  
1834. and that notice be given to the several owners and  
occupants to remove therefrom on or before the first day of  
April next.

Adjourned to next Monday nine o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> 1834. Met according to ad-  
journment. Present. The Mayor, Aldermen, Ellis, Holmes,  
Bightlow, Dunham, Gurney, Eliot & Grace.

The returns of votes not having all been taken  
made. Adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

1834. A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the 10th day of December Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

Samuel Adams, Esq. Mayor  
Greene

Tell. The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes for Mayor and Aldermen. There were 2203 votes for Mayor and 4407 votes for Aldermen, and they found the whole number for Mayor to be

Necessary to a choice 2203.

Electors of Mayor 2203.

and he has been duly elected Mayor of the City of Boston the year ensuing. The whole number for Aldermen was 4407.

Necessary to a choice 2224.

Electors of Aldermen 4407.

Charles Leighton 3324.

Samuel Adams 3324.

Samuel Greene 3324.

Nathan Gurney 3324.

John B. Mc Cleary 4231.

Joseph H. Hayward 4278.

and they have been duly elected Aldermen of said City for the year ensuing. And there is one vacancy. Ordered, that

the City Clerk be and he is authorized to call a meeting of the

Warrants for the purpose of giving their ballots



ballots for one person to fill the vacancy in the board of Aldermen for the year ensuing. Also to fill all vacancies which may exist in the several wards. The poll to be kept open until the 1st of March.

The committee on the subject of Execution in favour of Elisha Parks vs the City, reported the following order. Ordered, that there be paid on account of the Execution in the case of Elisha Parks against the City of Boston upon a Judgment obtained by said Parks at the recent term of the Supreme Judicial Court the sum of four thousand nine hundred and sixty seven dollars and eight cents, in full for the amount due from the City on said execution; and that the above sum be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Parks Case.

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 O'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of December Anno Domini 1834.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except William Talbot.

An Ordinance to regulate the sale and measurement of wood and bark for fuel, brought into the city.

Wood & Bark

216 of Boston by water. Passed the Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to Aldermen Wetmore, Ellis & Leighton...

Common Council

Petition of Engine Company No. 7 for a new Engine. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department...

Firemen Ward No. 5

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of the firemen of Ward No. 5 for new caps, reported that a new set have been ordered...

Read and accepted...

City of Boston

Elm Street...

Ordered, that there be paid, on or before the fifth day of January next, to the corporation called the City of Boston, the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars in full for the purchase of a certain piece of land to widen Elm Street; provided however that said corporation give to the City a sufficient deed of the land taken pursuant to the order of this board, and also release the City from all the damages which the said Corporation has sustained by said taking...

Common Council

Schools

Order of the Common Council directing that in addition to the sum of six thousand dollars appropriated in an order of the City Council passed June 5th 1832 for the purpose of erecting a new school building, there be appropriated the further sum of fifteen hundred dollars the said additional appropriation to be withdrawn from the general appropriation for the erection of primary school houses. Referred to the Committee of Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.



Accordingly, to a assignment the board, previous 347.  
to hear the parties for and against the acceptance of a new "Howe Street."  
street leading from Essex to Bedford Street, as offered to the City  
by Joseph Howe, for himself and the other owners of the same  
to be called "Howe Street... A petition of John D. Williams and  
others praying that said street may be accepted was read and  
after a full hearing, the petitions and the remonstrances were  
laid upon the table.

Ordered, that there be paid to Calvin Sanger & Mellen  
P. Sanger and William C. Mellen, the petitioners aforesaid, Elm Street  
on or before the fifth day of January next the sum of seven hun-  
dred and fifty dollars, in full for all damages by them sustained  
in consequence of the laying of the City of a certain slate being  
in to the City and other to which it was that the  
giving to the City a sufficient release thereof.

The Committee on the petition of Eleazer Homer  
Homer and others, to have O Street opened, reported, that said O Street  
subject be referred to the next board.

Read and accepted..

The Committee on Finance, to whom was re- South Boston.  
ferred an Order of the City Council, directing that the sum of grading Street  
two thousand five hundred dollars be appropriated to be expended  
already incurred for grading streets at South Boston, now re-  
port, that in their opinion said order ought to pass and they  
recommend that a sum of two thousand five hundred dollars  
be withdrawn from the appropriation for the Internal Health  
Department

518. Report to meet the expenditure above stated. The Committee finding the appropriation for the repairs of streets, generally, exhausted, and that no specific appropriation has been made by the City Council for the special care and improvement of those at South Boston take the opportunity, which appears to them in every respect, a suitable one, to remark that unless the city authorities are more carefully directed and strictly confined to the objects for which they were intended, and unless that authority is more definitely vested in the City Council, and in the Committee it is obvious that great embarrassment must arise, especially in the state of our finances, as well as confusion in the general management of our affairs, and also, that not only, irregularity in the manner of expending and uncertainty in the amount expended, will exist, but uneasiness will be produced among the citizens of our city, and the rates of taxation intended to be diffused in some sort of fair and just proportion throughout the City, absorbed in one quarter of it. In short, the object and benefit of making annual and specific appropriation for particular objects and of delegating to Committees authority, both definite and well defined, would by this process and operation be entirely defeated and rendered ineffectual. So the Committee Shodan Symon M<sup>r</sup>. Head accepted and thereupon Ordered, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for expense already incurred, for paving streets at South Boston, and that said amount be taken from the appropriation for the same. Resolved that the same be put down in concurrence.

Came up concurred.



The Committee who were instructed to re- 349.  
move the buildings from Boylston Street, as widened by a resolu-  
tion of this board, reported that the same has been done. Street.  
The meeting adjourned.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock  
P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Alder-  
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the eight-  
th day of December Anno Domini 1834.

The Mayor; Aldermen Wilmore, Lighthouse, Gurney, Eliot & Wade

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from "Tol-  
the several wards, given in yesterday for one Alderman to fill  
the vacancy in the board, & found the whole number to be 3665. Alderman

Necessary to a choice 1833.

Samuel A. Eliot had 1897.

and he has been duly elected, Alderman for the year ensuing.

Ordered that the City Clerk cause the foregoing to be published  
in the Newspapers, and also to notify Mr Eliot of his election.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall on Monday the first second day of December, Anno Domini 1834.

Present...

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Talbot.

Matter

Memorandum of Alderman Talbot and others.

Southack Street against altering the name of Southack Street. Referred to Aldermen Talbot and Eliot.

There shall

A resolution to separate the main and branch wharves of Wood and bark for fuel brought into the City of Boston, by water, and to be carried on with the same, and to amend the same. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Auditors

Exhibit

The Auditor of accounts exhibit of the State of the accounts of appropriations granted by the City Council of Boston, the year 1834, and the year of Suffolk during the financial year. Also the present state of those appropriations. Read and with the documents accompanying the same, referred to the committee on the same.

Com. on the same.

Com. on the same.

Engine Co. No 15.

Petition of Engine company No 15 for an Engine. Referred to the committee on the fire department.

Engineers

Engine going to Chelsea

Memorandum of the Engineers of the fire department, respecting an Engine going to Chelsea at a fire contrary to the order on that subject. Referred to the committee on the fire department.



Ordered, that Aldermen Holmore, 351.

Eliot and Greele be a committee to report on the subject of Standing Standing  
Committees of the board... committees

Resolved, that the public safety and Howe  
convenience require that a street should be opened from Essex Street  
to Bedford Street as per plan by Stephen P. Fuller, Esquire, com-  
mencing on Essex street at the southeast corner of John W.  
[unclear] from the [unclear] [unclear] line [unclear] [unclear]  
to an angle marked A. on said plan from thence in a straight  
line three hundred and seventy eight feet nine inches to the  
northeast corner of Joseph L. Cunningshams house on Bedford St.  
the southeast side of said street to be parallel with the above  
described line and at the distance of fifty feet therefrom until  
it comes to the angle marked B. at the Northwest corner of the  
pach of the Essex street Church from thence on a line with the  
front of said pach to Essex street and the same is hereby laid  
out as a public highway and is to be known by the name of  
Howe street.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred Primary Schools  
forred an Order of the City Council, directing that an addition District No. 4.  
al appropriation be made for the purpose of erecting two suit-  
able buildings for Primary Schools in District No. 4. now report  
that the order directing that an additional appropriation of fifty  
hundred dollars be made for that purpose ought to pass and the  
Committee recommend that the said sum of fifteen hundred  
dollars be withdrawn from the general appropriation for the  
erection of Primary School houses. In the Committee  
Theodore Lyman Junior. Read and accepted in Com-  
mon

352. men council, and the order passed... came up for concurrence  
Read & concurred.

Hubbard and  
Barrell for  
H. L. Linn

Resolution of Hubbard & Barrell - that  
they were authorized to select a Watchman which they  
have hired to watch their stores in Milk, Water, Kilby, Cen-  
tral, Doane, Broad & State Streets and Merchants Row.  
Referred to the committee on the Watch, with full power.

Nichols & Leeds

Ordered, that there be paid to Nichols  
& Leeds the sum of fifty dollars for damage sustained in cutting  
off part of the building occupied by them on the corner of  
Hanover and Blackstone streets.

Francis

The Committee on Ebenezer Francis' account  
for filling up a strip of land on the southeasterly side of Sea  
street, formerly so called, now Broadstreet, reported, that there  
be allowed him, forty dollars in full of the same.  
Read and accepted.

Dixwell

The Committee on the demand of Doctor  
Ischa Dixwell, for damage done to his chain, reported, that  
it is inexpedient for the board to take any order thereon.  
Read and rejected.

Debt due the  
City

The Committee to whom was referred an  
Ordinance for the more regular collection of debts due to the  
City of Boston have considered the same and Report,  
That



That the first section of said proposed ordinance provides, (213)  
that all said debts, when a specific provision on the subject  
is not now made by Statute or ordinance, shall, within a  
specified time be placed in the hands of the City Solicitor  
who shall forthwith put the same in suit. and the second  
section provides that, in all cases where a specific provision  
is made as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the respective  
City Officers to whose department they belong, to collect the  
same without delay and in default of payment to render the  
same to the City Solicitor who shall forthwith put the same  
in suit. The Committee are of opinion that the proposed ordinance  
takes away from the Officers of the City, a discretion, as regards the  
time and mode of collecting debts due to the City, which it is highly  
important they should always have, and from the exercise of which  
no evil has hitherto resulted. And the second section does  
not prescribe any new obligation on the respective City Officers,  
nor provide any more effective mode of collecting said debts, than  
that which has always been adopted. The Committee are  
therefore of opinion that said proposed Ordinance ought not to  
pass. For the Committee Thomas Helmore.

The following subjects were referred to the  
next Board of Aldermen City of Boston  
Boston Water Power Company, for a new street from  
street to Newbury line. Memorial of Boston & Providence  
Road. Francis C. Lowell's petition respecting Tremont Street.  
Francis C. Lowell and others, petition to have Tremont Street  
raised. Samuel Child, and others, owners of real estate at corner

1834. Resolved, that the streets may be designated and the Masters of the Franklin School that Lightning rods be placed on said school house.

Unfinished  
Business

The Committee on unfinished business reported, that there is no unfinished business before the City Council which requires its attention. Read and accepted. - Sent down for concurrence. - Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, Clock 12 M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of December. Anno Domini 1834.

The Mayor and the whole Board of Aldermen, except Alder

Public Cause  
City Hall

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. William Phillips and Eastman such as the Board of Aldermen might join, a committee to enquire into the expediency of holding an ordinance concerning the public Cause City Hall project passed 10th 1834. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the next Board of Aldermen.



The Auditor of accounts annual report, 33.  
the receipts and expenditures during the last financial year, Auditor of accounts  
and the estimates of the current year, together with a par Annual  
ticular statement of all City property. Read in common  
Council and an order passed authorizing the Auditor to  
cause to be printed seven thousand copies, and distributed  
for the information of the Inhabitants. Came up for con  
currence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on finance, reported, that  
an order withdrawing certain sums from, and the order adding  
certain sums to certain appropriations for the purposes therein  
specified. Read and concurred. The sum of money, not exceeding twenty five thousand dollars, ought  
to pass. Read and accepted, and the two first mentioned or  
ders passed, and on the question of passing the order to borrow  
money, the yeas and nays, being required, agreeably to the joint  
rule of the City Council was taken as follows vizt Yeas Alder  
men, Ellis, Helmore, Funcham, Gurney, Eliot and Greckle - 6.  
Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con  
curred with an amendment. Read and concurred.

The Committee who were instructed to  
consider the subject of the standing Committee of the Board  
ask leave to Report. - that in their opinion the business  
of the Board will be more easily managed and the public  
interest more effectively promoted by appointing, in lieu of  
the usual committees on the several districts, standing com  
mittees on the subjects which most commonly require the

356. attention of the Board, and for this purpose they propose that the following should be the Standing Committees viz.

1. A Committee on the Local Health Department including Quarantine to consist of three members.
  2. A Committee on the Internal Health Department, to consist of three members.
  3. A Committee on the Fire Department and Reservoirs to consist of three members.
  4. A Committee on the Jail, Houses of Correction, Reformatory and Industry of three.
  5. A Committee on laying out & widening street to consist of four.
  6. A Committee on the Paving and Repairs of streets, to consist of four.
  7. A Committee on Common Sewers and Drains to consist of three.
  8. A Committee on the Police of the City to consist of the Mayor.
  9. A Committee on Licensed Houses and Exhibitions of three.
  10. A Committee on Public Buildings of four.
  11. A Committee on the Market of two.
  12. A Committee on the Common, Malls, Fairs & Shoppe hills to consist of two.
  13. A Committee on Burial Grounds to consist of two.
  14. A Committee on Lamps, Bells and Clocks of three.
  15. A Committee on County accounts of two. and they submit the following order. For the Committee Thomas Wetmore.
- Resolved, that the following be the special Standing Committee of the Board
1. A Committee on the External Health Department & Quarantine



2	A. Committee on the Internal Health Department...	357.
3	" " " " Fire Department...	
4	" " " " Jail House of Correction, Reformation & Indus.	
5	" " " " Laying out & widening streets.	
6	" " " " Paving & Repairs of streets.	
7	" " " " Common Sewers & Drains.	
8	" " " " Police of the City.	
9	" " " " Licences.	
10	" " " " Public Buildings.	
11	" " " " The Market.	
12	" " " " Commons & Malls.	
13	" " " " Burial Grounds.	
14	" " " " Lamps, Wells & Cocks.	

County accounts. Read & accepted.  
and the order directing the appointment of such committee,  
was referred to the next board.

John Johnson was licensed as Auctioneer. Auctioneer.  
North Street, and his bond approved.

Communication was received from Eben Bailey resigns as,  
Eben Bailey, Esquire resigning the Office of Director of the House of Reformation...  
of Reformation...  
Read & sent down...

Communication was received from John Green declining as  
Green declining to be considered a Candidate for re-election as Engineer of  
to the office of Engineer of the fire department. the fire department  
Read and cited.

208.

Message from  
Common Council  
Collection

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A message was received from the Common Council, requesting this board to send down the report of the Committee of Finance on the subject of the collection of taxes in the City of the Town of New York, and send down as a single together with the documents accompanying the same.

Watchmen

The Committee on the application of Ballard and Barrett, and others, to have two special Watchmen appointed to watch in certain streets therein named, reported that James Richardson and Charles Stedman were appointed as requested. - Read & accepted.

Taylor, Reed & Co

Elm Street

The Committee on the petition of Taylor, Reed & Co to be remunerated the damage they sustained in consequence of the widening of Elm Street, reported that the petitioners have suffered damages to the amount of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, and recommended that the City should pay them the following order. For the Committee: Noted.

Read accepted and thereupon Ordered that there be paid to Taylor, Reed & Co. on or before the fifth day of January, next, the sum of twelve hundred dollars in full for all damages by them sustained, by reason of the widening Elm Street during the past year. Provided they give to the City a release and discharge of all claims against the City.

Mayor of the City

The Committee on the Fire Department have investigated the charges made by the Board of Engineers against James L. Barber, foreman of Engine No 15. The Committee find



And the charge to be well founded. In the opinion which  
the Committee have, from time to time, expressed concerning  
the conduct of those members of the department that have  
been brought before them, they have thought it proper to take  
into serious consideration all the circumstances attending  
every alleged violation of the Rules and Regulations or  
of the orders of the Engineers... And in any case where it  
has been made apparent that the first have been infringed,  
or the second disobeyed in a wanton spirit and with a  
plain and wilful intention of putting those rules & orders  
at defiance and of bringing contempt or reproach on the  
department itself; the Committee have now hesitated  
to recommend any other course than that which would  
and reputation which the ordinance provided.

But on the other hand, where it has been proved to their  
satisfaction, that Rules have not been broken or orders disobey-  
ed from a perverse spirit or a fractious disposition to dis-  
turb the harmonious and efficient working of  
the department; the Committee have always thought that  
the good of the service has been best promoted by a mild  
measure of reproof. The case of the Foreman of No. 15, falls  
in the judgment of the Committee, already within the latter  
branch of this subject... He has been well known as having  
been an active member, a valuable officer and a true & hearty  
friend of the department... And the Committee are well  
persuaded that the act which has led to the present inves-  
tigation was committed with any other intention than that  
of bringing the department into discredit or disrepute.

The Committee therefore recommend that the ordinance

360. Order be passed: For the Committee, Theodore Tushman Jr.

Read, accepted and thereupon  
Ordered, That James L. Barber, Fireman of Engine  
Company No. 1, be suspended from the command of that  
Engine till the first day of February next.

Ordered, that a copy of this report and order be sent to  
the Chief Engineer with directions to cause a copy of the  
same to be transmitted to the parties concerned.

received.

red to the next board of Aldermen agreeably to reports  
of Committees.

Ordered, that all matters and things  
not acted on, be referred to the next board.

The board was then adjourned without  
day. Attest,

Wm McLeary,  
City Clerk.

I certify that the foregoing is a true record  
of proceedings of the board of Aldermen, for the year 1834.

Attest,

Samuel Foster McLeary,  
City Clerk.



Appendix.

The committee on the petition of Elijah S. 361.

Wentworth, to be paid for land. Report; that the quantity of land Wentworth taken from the petitioner to lay out a new street, by order of this Board was about one thousand and thirty seven feet, and that the petitioner has sustained thereby a damage amounting to seven hundred and fifty eight dollars and fifty cents, and that he is entitled to the further sum of twenty dollars, according to the terms of a contract made by him with the City as stated in his petition. They therefore report the following order:

For the com. The Westmore?

Ordered that there be paid to Elijah S. Wentworth the sum of seven hundred and seventy eight dollars, fifty cents in recompense for land taken to lay out Broad street; provided he gives a sufficient deed of said land and release the City from all damages by him sustained. Read accepted and the order passed.

The foregoing is a true record of proceedings, which should have been recorded at larger pages 149, under date of Mar. 12, 1834, but was omitted through mistake.

Attest,

C. F. McLeary, City Clerk.

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